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WORK OF AN INCENDIARY.

Some Unknown Throws a Bomb Among Costly Street Railway Machinery.

The Fire Which Follows the Explosion Licks up Property of Immense Value.

An Amorous Widow Receives a Rude Awakening — A Fine Court House Ruined.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 28.—The street car barns and the electric plant of the Villard line were totally destroyed by fire this morning. The loss is approximated at $300,000. Many horses and cars were burned.

At 3 o'clock this morning a bomb was thrown into the main building of the Southside plant of the Milwaukee Street Car Co. There was a tremendous explosion and in a moment the interior was in a blaze. In a few minutes the fire was beyond control, and in less than an hour the entire plant was consumed. The loss will reach $510,000.

The Street Railway Company's Southside plant was situated on Kinnickinnic avenue. It includes immense stables for the electric motors, machine shops, stables and barn, where were fifty new electric motors, and nearly all the summer cars owned by the company.

The machine shops were built during the past season, and were fitted with very fine machinery for the rebuilding and repairing of cars. In the stables were fifty horses, but they were rescued. The cars stored in the building were valued at $450,000, while the structure itself is worth at least $60,000. The machinery is valued at fully $75,000; the stores of the company $15,000. The insurance carried on the building will amount to $40,000.

The barns destroyed constituted the principal depot of the Milwaukee Street Railway Company, and the fire greatly cripples the company. Who threw the bomb is not known. He is supposed to be a firebug who has started fully a dozen other disastrous fires within a month. A grand jury will be summoned to investigate.

Will Die by Explosion.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 28.—The doctors at the city hospital have now under their care a human balloon, who is, with every breath, pumping an additional amount of air into his body for which there is no escape. The collapse of the unfortunate sufferer is bound to occur very shortly unless he dies from heart failure. The patient is Frederick Otte, a driver for the Adams Express Co., and the doctors call his trouble emphysoma, or air swelling. While working at the stables of the company, Otte was caught between a moving car and the wall of the building. There was only a few inches of space, and the car had dragged the unfortunate driver ten feet before it was stopped, rolling and crushing him as it moved along. After breaking his ribs it drove the sharp ends of the broken bones into his lungs, permitting the air that he breathed to escape and settle in the tissues between the skin and the flesh, so that the air he has breathed since has been thus pumped under his skin, which is frightfully discolored and tightly distended over the air cushion. Tapping gives him partial ease, but he is perfectly helpless, though conscious. His features are distorted out of all human shape, and his appearance is frightful.

Suffocated by Coal Gas.

HILLSDALE, N. J., Dec. 28.—Joseph F. Mathews an artist of New York, nearly lost his life by suffocation at the residence of banker Walter Stanton, here, last night. He is still in a very critical condition and it is feared he may die. There was a Christmas party at Mr. Stanton's, he having invited a number of his friends to spend the holidays with him at his country residence. In the party were Mr. Mathews and Mr. Hunter Wyks of Brooklyn. The house was crowded and Mr. Mathews and Mr Wyks occupied the same room. They did not appear at the call for breakfast this morning and repeated knocks at their door elicited no response. The door was finally broken open and the gentlemen were found unconscious in bed. They were overcome by the fumes of coal gas from a stove in the room. They were quickly carried into another room, and Mr. Wyks revived after a little, but all efforts to restore Mr. Mathews to consciousness proved unavailing. Physicians were summoned as soon as possible, but they were unable to revive him. Mr. Mathews is a painter of much ability and the son of Mr. Felix A. Mathews, consul-general of the United States at Tangier, Morocco.

MARRIED FOR HER MONEY.

Adventure of a Woman Who Answered a Matrimonial Advertisement.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—"For God's sake, save me, I don't want to go back there any more," shouted a woman who ran into a policeman's arms at the corner of Sherman and Vanburen streets, this morning. The woman had just jumped from the second window of the Atlantic Hotel. A remarkable story she told when she was taken to the police station, where her husband hurried to put in an appearance. He gave his name as W. S. Jefferson, of Douglas county, Oregon, and told the following story:

"I was married to this woman, whose name was Mrs. Mattie Alexander, in the Atlantic Hotel, yesterday. I am owner of a ranch in Douglas county, Oregon, and two years ago inserted an advertisement in a farmers' paper published in this city, for a wife. The advertisement was answered by a Mrs. Alexander living in Kinderhook, N.Y., widow of a wealthy Joliet manufacturer. We have corresponded ever since and met in this city by agreement to be married and go to Oregon to live. I arrived in the city last Friday and she arrived from the east on Christmas day. We then talked the matter over and everything was arranged satisfactorily. We were married yesterday by Rev. W. M. Nicholas. Last night we took rooms in the Atlantic hotel about 10 o'clock. At midnight I awoke and found my wife missing. I at once dressed and went down stairs and inquired of the clerk if he had seen a woman, and was told a woman had left the hotel a short time before. I went out and found two policemen who advised me to go to Harrison street station. I did so, but could get no trace of my wife and spent the night in looking for her. This morning I learned that a woman had jumped from the window of the hotel. I found it to be my wife."

Mr. Jefferson said he believes his wife to be temporarily demented, and will be all right in a few days. When the matron at the police station searched Mrs. Jefferson, she found on her person $500 in cash and $9700 in certified checks.

She is about 32 years old, good looking and does not in any way appear insane. She declares that last night she became confident that the ranchman had married her simply on account of her money, and that she had been duped by him. He had already borrowed $830. She confessed her fears to the night clerk and asked him to assist her to get away from her husband. The clerk agreed to take care of her, and gave her a room in a remote part of the house from that occupied by her husband, saying that he would assist her to leave the house in the morning. Later the clerk entered her room and attempted to assault her. As the door was locked her only means of escape was by jumping from the window. The woman was badly bruised about the feet and ankles by the jump. Mrs. Jefferson says the marriage took place in the parlor of the Atlantic Hotel and was witnessed by two men and two women, neither of whom she knew.

Ruined the Court House.

MUNCIE, Ind., Dec. 28.—At 2 this morning fire broke out in Delaware county's elegant new court house, and the building, valued at $300,000, was ruined.

At 2 o'clock this morning fire was discovered in the court house here, and for a time the destruction of the entire building was threatened. By good work, however, the flames were kept in bounds and finally extinguished. The fire originated from a gas jet in the clerk's office, the contents and records in which were badly damaged, and litigation and confusion may result. The amount of loss is $50,000, with no insurance. Muncie court house was completed a year ago at a cost of $300,000—one of the finest in the State. A meeting of the commissioners has been called to take steps for the rebuilding of the destroyed section.

Bird's Great Chance.

AURORA, Ill., Dec. 28.—Early last week Bird's jewelry store was robbed of a large quantity of diamonds. A letter received from Chicago to-day says the writer has the gems and will surrender them if Bird will expend $50 in giving a New Year's dinner to Aurora's poor.

Will Get no Reprieve.

OTTAWA, Dec. 28.—Sin Kee, a Chinaman, who murdered a fellow celestial in British Columbia, will be executed at Nanaimo on January 10th, his petition for executive clemency has just been declined by the Government.

Fairly Out of Danger.

WASHINGTON, D.C., Dec. 28.—James G. Blaine continues to improve. A constant stream of callers make anxious enquiries at the residence. Mr. Blaine is considered to be fully out of danger.

DEATH AND DESTRUCTION.

Three Barrels of Frozen Dynamite Cartridges Being Warmed Explode.

Five Persons Killed and Enormous Damage Done to Surrounding Property.

Flames Succeed the Explosion and Add to the Grim Horror of the Scene.

LONG ISLAND CITY, N.Y., Dec. 28.—At 8 this morning a box of dynamite exploded in the shaft sunk for the new East River tunnel, near the junction of Jackson and Vernon avenues in this city. The explosion set fire to a three-story brick building adjoining, and shattered every pane of glass in buildings for blocks around. At 9 o'clock nine bodies were reported to have been taken from the shaft. A score or more persons were injured by falling timbers, glass, etc. Of the three people killed in their homes near the scene of the explosion, one, O'Brien, had his throat cut from ear to ear, and his face badly mutilated by flying glass. Some residents of the tenements had to be carried out by firemen, many of them too severely injured to help themselves, while others were too frightened to move. At St. John's hospital six victims were received, all badly hurt. The N. Y. & L. I. Tunnel Co., of which Wm. Steinway is president, are bounded by Jackson and Vernon avenues; tenement houses of brick and frame, and stores, line both these thoroughfares. The explosion occurred directly in the rear of these.

In building the tunnel between this city and the New York Central depot a great deal of dynamite is used. Last night it froze, and the men, needing some this morning, placed three barrels of cartridges just back of the tenements to be thawed out. Then they built a bonfire beside the cartridges. The fire went nearer the dynamite than they intended, and the result was a terrific and disastrous explosion. So powerful was the detonation that nearly every building on Jackson avenue from Fifth street to Borden avenue was either destroyed or badly damaged. These structures include the postoffice and Sylvester & Co.'s factory. Fire immediately started and is now burning.

People living in the vicinity of where the explosion occurred were startled shortly after 8 o'clock by the noise of falling timber and cracking glass. For a square round the ground quivered and buildings swayed to and fro and terrified the people of the district, who rushed out of their houses fearing that they were about to collapse. In a few moments, the usually quiet neighborhood was thrown into the greatest excitement. Houses adjoining the tunnel in the company's yards caught fire, and the entire fire department of the city was soon upon the scene. So quickly did the flames burst out after the explosion that it is not certain whether the residents in the adjoining tenements escaped or are buried in the debris. Those in the vicinity at the time of the explosion say that the shock which followed was like an earthquake. Tenements 21 to 29 Jackson avenue were shattered, with the stores and offices below.

The postoffice was in No. 27 and the mails were buried in the ruins, and are certain to be ruined by water if not consumed by the flames. When the explosion occurred the letter cases were knocked into strips and the clerks hurled headlong into the debris. A wave of flame seemed to sweep the lower part of the demolished houses near by, after the crash. Some stunned and bleeding tenants managed to crawl to the lower windows and make their escape in that way.

The injured are:—Edward E. Delaney, cut about the head and body, and face burned. Mary Grane, a cook, terribly burned, will probably die. An unknown Italian, employed in the tunnel, will die. Mrs. Henry, postoffice employee, is badly injured. Miss Mary Ryan, postoffice employee, severely cut. All of the killed received fractured skulls and were terribly cut by glass from the broken windows.

It is said that the postmaster saved all the valuable letters that were in the postoffice when the explosion occurred.

Directly opposite the scene of the explosion, in a row of tenements occupied by fifteen families, every apartment was wrecked, the debris caught fire from the overturned stoves, and the scene that followed the explosion was terrible. Men, women and children only partially clad rushed wildly from every possible exit in great excitement.

Where the explosion occurred is the most thickly inhabited section of the city, and for half a mile Jackson and Vernon avenues present a terrible sight. Gray's factory at Fourth street, opposite the scene of the explosion, was almost completely wrecked. A number of people were at work in the building at the time, but how many of them were injured it is not at present known. At 11 o'clock the fire was still raging in the ruins, the fire department being totally inadequate to cope with the flames.

Three victims of the explosion died at St. John's hospital at 12:30 this afternoon. They are John Hopkins, John Delany and Barber Rock, whose wife was also killed. Mrs. Crane is still alive, but death is expected every moment. McIntyre, who was in charge of the dynamite when it exploded, was not killed. He was found at his home on Fourth street, where he had gone after the explosion occurred. He was placed under arrest charged with criminal neglect. Shortly after noon the firemen succeeded in getting the flames under control in the tenements. The list of dead is now five, but other deaths are expected before night.

The cupola of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church on Vernon avenue and Fifth street was smashed into pieces by the concussion.

Work on the tunnel has been progressing about two months. The city is said to have been warned repeatedly of the danger attending the work, but no action was taken for the protection of residents of the neighborhood against such a disaster as to-day's.

To Mine in Kootenay.

OTTAWA, Dec. 26.—The Kootenay & Columbia Mining and Prospecting company some time ago shipped by the Canadian Pacific a diamond drill outfit, consisting of a sectional boiler, diamond drill and pumps. A telegram has been received from Nelson advising them of the arrival of the same. It was routed on the "Soo" line, via St. Paul, Spokane Falls and Little Dalles. An expert driller who had charge of the tunnel borings at Northumberland straits will conduct the work. This is the first diamond drill operating in the Slocan district, and the tests at a depth will be watched with interest by mining men. The boiler is made in sections, the heaviest piece weighing 160 pounds. The plates are bolted together instead of being riveted. The outfit will be packed from Nelson to the Wellington mine, where it will work through the winter.

Deacon's Grave Charges.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Edward Parker Deacon, who shot Emile Abeille, in the Hotel Splendide, at Cannes, France, because of his alleged intimacy with Mrs. Deacon, has brought action in the Supreme Court for absolute divorce from his wife, Florence Deacon, through Coudert Brothers. On the ground that Mrs. Deacon is now residing in France, Judge Lawrence has given permission for the summons to be served by publication. In his complaint Deacon gives a number of occasions on which he declares he is informed his wife committed adultery with Abeille. He also makes general allegations that she has committed adultery with other men during the past two years, but no names are given. The complaints have been sworn to before Henry Cachard, commissioner of the State of New York at Paris.

Taillon Will Wait For Him.

MONTREAL, Dec. 28. — Ex-Premier Mercier leaves for New York to-morrow evening by the 5:40 p.m. train from Bonaventure station, en route for Europe. He will sail by the French steamer this week. He goes to Rome to plead before the propaganda the case of the parishioners of certain parishes in the diocese of St. Hyacinthe, concerning certain difficulties which have arisen over the construction of a new church at Pike river. He will also go to London to plead the same case before the Privy Council. He will be two months absent. Being asked if he would return for the session, he laughed and replied: "Oh, Taillon will wait for me."

Too Small a Sum for Him.

THREE RIVERS, Dec. 28.—Col. Smith, who has taken up his old residence at the consulate, was called upon this morning by a Star representative. In response to an inquiry the colonel stated that he had not sued the Three Rivers council for $40,000, and that he was not the man to take an action for such a small amount. He had not seen the New York papers stating that he had entered the action in question. The papers stated that on account of the council's protest to Ottawa against Smith he was suing them for damages to the amount named.

Cold in Assiniboia.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 27.—A telegram from the west contains the news that a tremendous storm has been raging there. At Gull Lake two trains were stuck in the snow and trains arriving the last few days from the west have been from six to 24 hours late. The weather throughout eastern Assiniboia is cold and stormy, but although the mercury last week touched 45 below zero no serious results followed.

A Masonic Centennial.

TORONTO, Dec. 28.—It is 100 years since the foundation of Masonry and the organization of the Provincial Grand Lodge in Ontario. The Masonic fraternity of the city of Toronto propose celebrating the centennial anniversary by a grand banquet to-night.

MASONIC TEMPLE DEDICATED.

The New Westminster Masons—A Petty Thief and Highwayman Arrested.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Dec. 28.—The attraction to-night is the grand ball at the opera house for the benefit of the artillery band. It will be managed by the ladies.

A man named Low, an American, was arrested for the theft of a coat from the Colonial yesterday. The arrest was accomplished by Officer Dominy, after a struggle in Front street. This man and another have been committing thefts of a similar nature this week, and they are supposed to have held up and robbed McCrochan on Saturday night, of $17.

The new Masonic temple was dedicated last night by a banquet and a grand ball. The installation of officers took place as follows: King Solomon Lodge, No. 17—M. McCasall, W.M.; G. C. Cunningham, S.W.; J. H. Shirley, J.W.; B. W. Marshall, treasurer; J. B. Ballantyne, secretary; S. W. Howay, S.D.; L. A. Lewis, J.D.; J. J. Forrester, tyler; Rev. Thos. Scouler, chaplain; Peter Peebles, director of ceremonies; Bliss Brown and T. Sampson, stewards.

Union Lodge, No. 9.—Thos. Bennie, W.M.; A. McKercher, S.W.; R. F. Benson, J.W.; A. O. Campbell, treasurer; Wm. McColl, secretary; W. J. Walker, M.D., S.D.; G. H. Cross, J.D.; H. G. Ross, I.G.; J. J. Forrester, tyler; Rev. C. Croucher, chaplain; J. H. Sharp and F. C. Hunter, stewards. The trustees of the temple are Wm. Mason, H. Hoy and Thos. McNeely.

Queen's Music Hall. Albert Hawthorne, thunders of applause.

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CANADIAN NOTES.

News by Mail and Wire from all Parts of the Dominion.

The Cabinet holds extended sessions daily, considering the estimates.

City Solicitor Biggar, of Toronto, has resigned his position owing to ill health.

Notice is given of the incorporation of another navigation company in Alberta.

J. Vansycklen, a young farmer, was killed by his horse running away near Brantford.

J. S. Larke has been appointed Acting Canadian Commissioner to the World's Fair.

James Ferrie, of Liverpool, is in Ottawa working up a dead meat trade with Great Britain.

Capt. Streatfield, General Herbert's aide, has been appointed A.D.C. to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.

The Provost Sergeant who has had charge of the military police in Halifax for 20 years, dropped dead the other day.

Alexander Cadoret, mayor of the parish of St Simon, near Montreal, fell under a heavy load and was crushed to death.

While working in the woods near Norwood a young man named Perkins was struck by a huge log and instantly killed.

An order-in-council has been passed specifically defining lands reserved for park purposes at Griffin Lake, the Glacier and Mount Stephen.

Norman Mitchell, son of Thomas Mitchell, of Lakefield, attempted suicide by shooting himself with a revolver. Despondency was the cause.

Rev. M. Fraser, D.D., late clerk of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, has just died at his residence in Barrie in his 85th year.

Alex. Calder has been extradited from Michigan on the charge of embezzlement of $600 from John MacMillan, M.P., of Hay township, a year ago.

A laboring man of Ottawa, named Curran, while digging a drain struck an unexploded dynamite cartridge with his pick. The cartridge exploded and the poor fellow was almost blown to pieces.

Arthur Benton, father of a grown up family and a prominent citizen of Trenton, has been arrested, charged with the seduction of a young girl named Wolley, of Toronto, in September last.

Justice Falconbridge, in the case of Collins vs. The Hamilton Street Car Company, has awarded the plaintiff, Mrs. Collins, $5000 for the loss of her husband, who was killed by a trolley car last spring.

The Ontario Law Society considered the question of admitting women to practice law. The result was the adoption of resolutions admitting women. This is final, and any woman who can qualify is now free to practice law in that province.

A year ago T. S. Sims & Co., brush and broom makers, St. John, N. B., adopted a modified form of profit-sharing with their employes. Several things have occurred since then to prevent the experiment from being as successful as was hoped, but the cash payment of the bonus to the employes amounts to between one and two per cent. on the year's earnings, or something near a week's extra pay. The agreement has been renewed for another year.

Eastern Municipal Elections.

TORONTO, Dec. 27.—The civic nominations were held yesterday throughout Ontario. In this city, R. J. Fleming and E. E. Sheppard were nominated for the mayoralty. The other cities were:—Stratford, J. V. Monteith, Wm. Davidson, Wm. Gordon, G. G. McPherson; Windsor, O. E. Fleming, Sol. White; Brantford, Dr. L. Seaford, Thos. Elliott; Belleveille, H. F. Howell, A. T. Petrie, F. L. Walbridge; Brockville, D. S. Booth, John Culbert; St. Catharines, Frank McGuire, Donald Robertson; Chatham, John Carpenter, S. T. Martin, John T. Merritt. The mayoralty acclamations were as follows:—Barrie, A. E. H. Creswicke; St. Mary's, J. H. McIntyre; Owen Sound, J. W. Frost; Deseronto, E. W. Rathbun; Peterborough, James Kendrie; Kingston, N. C. Poison; Milton, S. Dice; Midland, J. B. Herrell; Hamilton, Peter B. Blaicher; Trenton, Dr. W. S. Jacques; Blenheim, T. B. Shillington; Thorold, M. M. Williams; Alliston, Dr. Armstrong; Walkerville, Joseph S. Smith; Paris, Thomas McCass; Bridge, W. Hamilton; Leamington, T. Fuller; Cayuga, Dr. D. Thompson; Orangeville, Johnston Lindsay; Woodstock, James Hay, jr.; Niagara, Henry Hafferd; Oakville, Thos. Patterson; Lindsay, D. Ray; Simcoe, A. McColls; Penetang, C. Beck; Perth, Duncan Kippen; Smith's Falls, W. H. Frost; Pembroke, W. R. White; Mattawa, W. Rankin; Cornwall, F. Lally; Ridgetown, J. Cochrane; Aurora, H. W. Fleury.

REGINA, N.W.T., Dec. 27.—The nominations for civic offices were held yesterday. The candidates for mayor in the several leading towns are as follows: Regina, T. C. Johnstone and J. H. Willoughby; Prince Albert, J. S. Donaldson, by acclamation; Calgary, A. Lucas and Dr. Lindsay; Lethbridge, H. Beutly, by acclamation; Moosomin, J. M. Curdy, by acclamation; Moose Jaw, Wm. Grayson and Hamilton Lang.

Fire With Fatalities.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—The Standard's Paris correspondent says that the spirit stores of Gautier, Rome & Vincent, on Gloriette Island at Nantes, were destroyed by fire yesterday. Six violent explosions occurred while the fire was burning. One workman was killed and several persons, including firemen, soldiers and workmen, were injured, some it is believed, fatally.

They are Very Choice.

The car load of eastern apples that arrived on Saturday are something extra. Call and see them at Gordon's.

Phœnix Lager Beer.

Ecclesiastical Magnificence.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Bishop Potter is authority for the declaration that the Episcopal Cathedral, the corner-stone of which was laid to-day, will be the most beautiful building in the New World, and perhaps as exquisite as any that has been erected in modern ages. The legislative act incorporating the Cathedral trustees was passed 20 years ago, and it will take 20 years more to complete it for dedicatory ceremonies. The cost will be anywhere in the neighborhood of seven to ten millions of dollars, and it will have accommodation for over ten thousand worshippers. The choir and sanctuary alone will be larger than the ground floor of the ordinary church, and will seat fifteen hundred people. This portion of the edifice will cost one million dollars. The total length of the edifice will be 520 feet, with a frontage of 190 feet. The towers and spires will loom up over 400 feet from the ground, and the interior dome will be 253 feet in height. The site is the most elevated one in New York city, and is near the tomb of General Grant.

Truth After More Swindlers.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—This week's Truth exposes the operations of the swindlers, who secure large preliminary fees from Americans for promised services in looking up claims for immense English estates. The familiar William Lord Moore is, of course, exposed as the most enterprising and successful swindler of the lot. Trush says that he now sends out his circulars from No. 5 Ingersoll road, Shepherd's Bush, London. Felix Howard, of No. 15 University street, London, has been but little less successful in the same business. Joseph Leger, of No. 457 Eighth avenue, New York City, is said by Truth to be sending out circulars for the same purposes. Mr. Labouchere expresses the hope that the New York police will try to arrest and convict all persons in America who are in collusion with Moore and Howard. The whole affair, he says, is an American swindle, conducted exclusively by Americans, as the wording of the letters shows. Truth also warns its readers against the so-called "Universitas Nationalis Illinoisiensis," purporting to be an educational institution of high standing in Chicago, yet selling degrees to British subjects at ten to twelve guineas each.

Broken Shaft in Mid Ocean.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—The Belgian steamer Noordland which left New York on Dec. 14, for Antwerp, was towed into Queenstown this afternoon by the steamer Ohio from Philadelphia for Liverpool. The Noordland has a shaft broken. The voyage of the Noordland had been tempestuous almost from the hour of leaving Sandy Hook. At the time of the accident the Noordland was 400 miles west of Queenstown. The crippled steamer was sighted by the steamship Ohio, which left Philadelphia on the same day that the Noordland left New York and assistance was at once extended. The voyage to Queenstown in tow was attended by much difficulty.

Cannot Become Dramatically Indignant.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—The Paris correspondent of the Daily News says: The report that M. de Freycinet will resign from the cabinet is unfounded or at least premature. M. de Freycinet is incapable of engineering bribes, yet he shuts his eyes to the doings of those around him, but he is careful not to give offense. If he had been as exacting of morality in others as in himself, he could not have worked seven years with Rouvier, hating nobody and nothing. M. de Freycinet's worst weakness is his incapacity for righteous indignation.

Code Des Foux.

PARIS, Dec. 26.—Deputy Raynal, formerly minister of Public Works, has challenged to a duel ex-Deputy Denayrousse, the author of the letter published in La Cocarde on Saturday, charging that several members of the staff of the Republique Francaise newspaper had demanded $300,000 francs from the credit financier for assisting in the passage of the municipal bill. Senator Poirer, proprietor of the Republique Francaise, M. Christople, governor of the credit financier, and Jose Reinach have already denied the truth of Denayrousse's statement. Denayrousse was formerly manager of the Republique Francaise.

Starving Though a Prince.

NICE, Dec. 28.—Prince Victor Nakachidze, son of Gen. Bargratio, Prince of Georgia, has surrendered himself to the police of this city, as he is ill and starving, and wishes to be cared for. He told the police that he was a Nihilist and was sentenced to imprisonment for his connection with the Paris bomb makers. He was arrested and convicted in 1888, and after serving out his time he was expelled from France. His present disregard of the decree expelling him constitues the offence on account of which he gave himself up.

Francophobia in Switzerland.

BERNE, Dec. 27.—In consequence of the failure of the Franco-Swiss convention, Swiss manufacturers and traders will endeavor to limit their purchases in France to those articles which they cannot get elsewhere. The great bulk of the orders hitherto placed in France will be given to Germany and Austria. The feeling against France is very bitter amongst the Swiss.

Pistols Before Breakfast.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—The Berlin Tageblatt publishes a despatch from Nice saying that Count Peter Romanoff became involved in a quarrel with a Brooklyn (N.Y.) man at the casino gambling tables last night, and that the two fought a duel with pistols on the seashore this morning, the count being killed. No confirmation has been received.

No More Lead For Rioters.

BERLIN, Dec. 28.—Orders have been given to army officers not to supply sentries with ball cartridge after the end of the present year. This step is taken in view of the much too frequent affrays between civilians and sentries, in which the latter usually use their firearms with fatal effect.

AFOGNAK ISLAND.

The United States Places the Island in Reserve as to Fish and Timber.

The appended dispatch, which explains itself, has been received from Washington, D. C.:

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The president has issued a proclamation, reserving for timber and fish culture purposes the island of Afognak, Alaska, and its adjacent rocks and territorial waters, including the sea lion rocks and otter islands. This reservation is one of the most important yet made. The salmon and trout crowd the Afognak, and in the breeding season so much so as to actually press some on the shore, and there is no doubt that, by preserving it, it will become a breeding place for all the other waters of Alaska and the different rivers of the United States in the future; whereas, if it had been left to the depredations already committed upon it, the fish there, as they have been elsewhere in the United States, would become utterly exterminated. There is a prospect that the sea otter may also be preserved there and, it may be, other sea animals. This is a beginning of a series of reservations in this direction that will preserve the fish and animals of the sea, as have been preserved the deer, elk, buffalo and other animals of the United States in the national parks.

Afognak Island is directly east of Kodiak and is to the southward and eastward of the Aleutian group, and while owned by the United States is in the open sea. Seal and sea otter abound at certain seasons of the year, and it looks like another like another move in the direction of restriction, although the only word in the Washington dispatch that smacks of the sealing dispute is "depredations."

Free Ice Water for Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—The finest ice-water drinking fountain in the world now adorns the court-yard between the city and county buildings in the heart of the city. It is the gift to Chicago of John B. Drake, the veteran proprietor of the Grand Pacific Hotel, and was dedicated yesterday afternoon with interesting exercises. The fountain proper is Gothic in design, and of coral granite from Italy. The interior chamber will hold three tons of ice. There are ten faucets with as many bronze drinking cups. The fountain is surmounted by a magnificent bronze statue of Columbus, over seven feet in height, by R. H. Park, the celebrated sculptor, and was cast at Rome.

Made a Multitude Happy.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—It was well on toward midnight when the poor children's Christmas festival at Madison Square Garden came to a close. It was probably the biggest entertainment of the kind ever given on this continent. Over 20,000 little ones were made happy, and they managed to get away with some six tons of candy, fifty thousand cakes made of ginger-bread, sixty or seventy thousand apples and oranges, to say nothing of thousands of presents.

Work for the Council.

There is a lot of work to be done at this evening's meeting of the City Council. The clerk's file is full of communications and reports.

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We cannot tell how that poor boy suffered in all those years. Physicians did not effect a cure. At last I decided to give him Hood's Sarsaparilla, as my druggist recommended it. In about two weeks the Sarsaparilla began to have effect. The sores commenced to heal up; the flesh began to look more natural and healthy. Then the scales came off and all over his body new and healthy flesh and skin formed. When he had taken two bottles he was entirely free from sores, having only the scars to show where they had been. These have all disappeared. We are unable to express our thanks for the good

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Matters of Interest Going Forward in the Sporting World, Here and Elsewhere.

THE RING.

MCAFFREY AND DONOVAN.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—There are indications that a three-round sparring match between Dominick McCaffrey and Mike Donovan at the Madison Square Gardens on December 17th, will result in a meeting between those two well-known boxing instructors. In the affair of the 17th, after boxing six rounds both men walked to the centre and tried to continue the encounter, each showing a disposition to box more vigorously, and the entertainment officials separated the combatants and brought hostilities to a close. In their dressing-rooms at the conclusion of the bout, each accused the other of endeavoring to take an unfair advantage, and as the two men had never been on friendly terms, their relations became still more strained.

McCaffrey last night said to a reporter, "with the consent of the Manhattan Athletic Club I should like very much to meet Donovan in the ring and settle the question of supremacy. I will box him one, 50 or any number of rounds for the largest purse that any club will offer, the winner to take all of it. And if he desires, I will make him a side bet of $1000 to $5000. I got the worst of that meeting in the garden in two ways. I caught a cold that has laid me up ever since, and Donovan tried to hurt me. He waited for a chance to hit me hard, but he didn't succeed. I took a great many blows on the arm that some people probably thought reached my body. Mike is a gallery fighter, and gives people the impression that he is doing great execution. Now, I have no grudge against Donovan, but as some people seem to think that he had the best of me that 'go,' I would just like another chance."

When Mike Donovan was asked what he would do if challenged by McCaffrey he said: "I can tell better when he challenges. I am not challenging him. He seems to be the aggrieved party, and it rests on him to say what he thinks."

When McCaffrey's position was outlined to Donovan he remarked: "I do not care to commit myself until I hear definitely from McCaffrey. Besides, I could say nothing until I know whether the Athletic Club would be willing to let me fight. I have a good opening here, and depend upon it I shall do nothing to endanger it."

"Supposing that the New York Athletic club would sanction a meeting between you and McCaffrey, would you have any objections?" was asked of the veteran.

"None, whatever," was the reply. "It would suit me. I am not afraid of him any minute of the day. When I hear something definite from McCaffrey I will be able to talk intelligently on the matter."

CHESS.

CHESS INTERCOLLEGIATE MATCH.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The intercollegiate chess tournament between Yale, Harvard, Columbia and Princeton opened here this afternoon, being prefaced by an address of welcome from President Seth Low, of Columbia College. The tournament will last a week. Yale is represented by Bumstead and Skinner; Harvard by Goldmark and Mackie; Princeton by Dickey and Ewing; Columbia by Hines and Stubbs. Each man will meet every other representative, and the one having the highest percentage will receive the championship cup at the hands of Hon. Chauncey M. Depew.

FOOTBALL.

THE SEATTLE TEAM.

The team from the Seattle Association Football Club will play at Nanaimo on Saturday and here on Monday. They will probably come up on the City of Kingston to-morrow and go to Nanaimo on Friday, but they may delay their coming until Friday and go to Nanaimo on Saturday morning. The team is composed as follows: Goal, W. Simms; backs, J. Duncan, R. Work, captain; half-backs, E. Williams, H. Work, J. White; forwards, L. Hein, D. C. McKenzie, J. Bruce, J. Beggs, K. McCann; umpire, G. W. Farley.

HOME FOR SHIPBUILDERS.

William H. Webb's Institution Approaching Completion.

New York Tribune.]

The home for the institution which William H. Webb has founded on Fordham Heights, and which will keep his memory green in long years to come, is now approaching completion, though it will be late in the spring or early in the summer before it is ready for use. The building is in a position which the New Englanders would call "sightly" and commands a beautiful view of the surrounding country. The fact that the solid rock had to be blasted out to make the cellars and foundation has caused the work to be somewhat delayed. It was Mr. Webb's first intention to build on Fordham Heights a home for old shipbuilders whose days of work were over and whose means of livelihood were insufficient. Here he proposed that the old men who had spent their lives in working at shipbuilding should be surrounded for the rest of their lives with every comfort. If they had wives, the wives were to be with them and the old couple could journey down with the shadow hand in hand. Then Mr. Webb decided to change his scope and plan, and besides taking care of what had been to provide for what was to be. He determined to bring the past and the future of shipbuilding together there on Fordham Heights, and to add to his home for the old a school for the young. So when the building is finished there will be in one part of it a home for the aged and in the other a school where from twenty-five to thirty young men will be instructed in the art of shipbuilding.

A staff of competent instructors will have charge of the school, and tuition and board will be free. Everything pertaining to the designing and building of ships of iron or wood will be taught, and the young men will be graduated as naval architects. The draughting rooms of the schools will be in the towers above the roof of the building, so that excellent light can be obtained from all sides. There will also be an immense "laying off room," where the drawings of the students can be laid off in patterns of the actual size of the part of the ship designed. In short, the school is to be completely equipped in every respect.

Naval architecture and shipbuilding in America owed much to William H. Webb in the past, and it will owe much to him in the future. Long after he is dead his genius will live in gliding keel and shapely hull, and generations of sailors yet unborn will step the decks of ships designed by graduates of the school of his foundation.

There will be accommodations in the part of the building devoted to the home for about 130 old people. Any one who has made his lifework that of doing something which pertains to the building of a ship will be admitted, even the calkers, the painters and the carvers of figureheads, if there is room and they are poor. Preference will of course be given to men whose work was directly that of building the ship. The institution will be governed by a board of trustees, among whom will be the president of the Chamber of Commerce, the president of the New York Hospital, a professor of Columbia College and the president of the Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen.

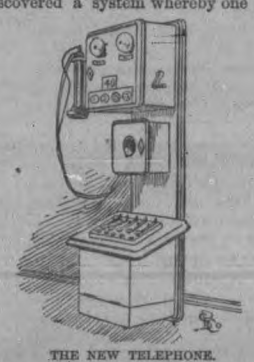
The work on the building is being pushed forward rapidly, Mr. Webb desiring to see the institution opened in the spring if possible.

HELLOING MADE EASY.

How it May be Done With Automatic Machine.

Out in Englewood, says the Chicago Herald, there lives a white-haired gentleman on whose kindly face the telephone girls will do well to keep a watchful eye. His name is Almon B. Strowger, and he is the inventor of a device which may, when brought to a state of perfection, take away the present employment of the young women who are the first to greet your ring on Professor Bell's talking machine.

For many years Mr. Strowger's active brain has been busy with the problem of automatically connecting the wires over which the human voice is carried from one point to another. Yesterday a large party of invited guests accompanied the inventor and his backers to La Porte, Ind., where the first demonstration of the practical workings of the new appliance is to be seen. The party found a telephone exchange without a single petticoat. It discovered a system whereby one sub-



THE NEW TELEPHONE.

scriber could secure almost instant telephonic connection with another subscriber, the only formality necessary to produce the result being the manipulation of numbered electric buttons attached to the battery cover of the telephone support. Had all the "hello" girls in christendom been gathered in the exchange not one could have rendered the slightest aid.

The invited guests had among their number representatives of the Scientific American, the Industrial World, the Electrical World, the various heads of electrical companies centered in Chicago, and other expert electricians. After the guests had been welcomed by the mayor of La Porte, the inventor demonstrated the working of the instrument. As shown in the accompanying picture, five keys form the call connection attached to each subscriber's telephone. They are numbered, commencing at the left, 1,000, 100, 10, 1 and R, respectively, signifying thousands, hundreds, tens, units and "release." Each key is connected by wire with the automatic switch in the exchange. If Druggist Brown wanted to call up No. 253 he would press the 100 button twice, the 10 button five times and the unit button twice and then ring the bell. The call and connection is made and the response without delay. There is no calling the number to the "Central" girl and the vexations delays. There can be no mistake. The little automatic switch clicks into the desired number and holds the wire until the "release" button is pressed, when the line is again thrown open. No one can interrupt the conversation passing over the line. If Grocer Jones should wish to talk with Druggist Brown while the latter is using the 'phone, his call, made in the manner set forth, is indicated and the druggist can call him up at his convenience. All the company's guests made several tests, and the device worked to perfection.

The La Porte exchange has a subscription list of fifty-two members, but the company has a capacity of eighty. For each machine there must be one automatic switching device. This consists of a brass frame about four inches long, three and a half inches high, and three inches wide, surmounted by a hard rubber disk. Within the frame is the mechanism by means of which the various connections are made, consisting of electro-magnets, levers, pawls, and a shaft with rachet wheels and a connecting arm. The armature of the units magnet is fastened to the units lever. To this lever is attached a pawl, which pawl engages the rachet teeth of the units wheel. There are 100 rachet teeth in the units wheel. The tens magnet, armature, lever, pawl and rachet wheel are similar to those of the units, as are also those of the hundreds and thousands. The disk is provided with rows of perforations, 100 in each row, corresponding with the ratchet teeth of the units wheel, and as many rows as there are hundreds of subscribers. Through these perforations wire terminals extend. Passing through the center of the disk and at right angles thereto is a vertical shaft to which is attached a contact arm extending over the disk to the row of wire terminals. The shaft and arm are made to rotate by means of the magnets through the connecting agency of the levers and pawls.

On shelves at the central office are placed the machines, and they occupy a wall space of about 100 square feet. In close proximity to the row of machines a cable or bank of phonic wires trend. The bank wires are also numbered to correspond with the number of the wire terminals and perforations. To each bank wire are attached their respective numbered terminal wire, that is, to No. 1 bank wire are attached No. 1 wire of each disk, there being, of course, as many bank wires as there are wire terminals. Like the network of the nervous system, all machines are methodically connected by a network of wires, each having its own peculiar functions to perform.

"Supposing," said one of the most famous of American electricians who accompanied the party, "that this system was introduced in Chicago with a capacity for 9,000 telephones. Then each disk of each switch would be connected with the system by 45,000 wires. The switch for telephone No. 9,001 must have space for 45,005 connections, while all the others must be increased five each so as to have connections with the new 'phone.

The company claims the disk can be enlarged to a sufficient size to handle the telephone business of the largest towns, and that a saving of 50 per cent. would be effected.

BJORNSTJERNE BJORNSON.

Something About the Norse Patriot, Reformer and Novelist.

Bjornstjerne Bjornson, the Norwegian Apostle of Peace, is one of the most combative of men, says Prof. Chr. Collin in the November Review of Reviews. One would think that he must have been meant for a warrior; his head, his figure, are those of a chieftain. When his grey eyes flash under jutting brows, and his bushy hair looks bewildered, as if startled by some earth-

BJORNSTJERNE BJORNSON.

quake of passions beneath, then, with his nether lip slightly pouting and his broad shoulders drawn back, he makes one think of some old Norse Viking bent on battle and ready for the fray. But Mother Nature seems to have made sport of this her gifted child, for she has planted him, a parson's son, amid the most peaceful surroundings.

Beginning with hymns as his first poetical outburst, he rapidly passed through the Saga period, which culminated in 1857 in "Synnove Solbakken," which will live as long as the Norwegian language. The year before he became a leader of men in a small way, when he led the "theater war," which resulted in remedying many evils of the stage. Latterly he has become a driving political force, being not only an eloquent interpreter of public opinion but often a maker of it. He has become an ardent apostle of peace, which some of his countrymen think is an involuntary joke; but it is not so, he wants peace in order to carry on a new and higher warfare. There is no more interesting personality to-day in the world than the subject of this sketch.

President of the Argentine Confederation.

The Argentine Confederation, which has had so much experience of political and financial upheaval, and of revolution and of social disorder in the past two years, has also settled down to a steady

PRESIDENT PENA.

and a chastened course of existence. The new president, Saenz Pena, was inaugurated October 12. He is a man who enjoys the unbounded respect of his fellow-citizens and who has stood for everything that is good in a public career of more than thirty years. He has for twelve years been the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Argentina. He was elected President of the Republic by a unanimous vote of the representative electoral body which is authorized to make the choice. He has been a life-long promoter of education, and of the best political and social objects. It is fortunate for the great and ambitious Republic of the Plata that its administration has fallen into hands so eminently safe and worthy. His country bids fair to have in 1893 a year of welcome quietude and recuperation.—November Review of Reviews.

TWO CURIOUS STORIES.

Strange Tales From Australia Which are Alleged to be True.

We had a talk the other day about haunted houses and other eerie things. I was interrupted at that time, but a lull in more important news enables me to get off my mind two or three other ghostly things. For example: As I rode along in one of the suburban tram cars I passed a cottage wherein a strange thing happened awhile ago. Near by lived an old man who had received many kindnesses from the true-hearted mistress of the cottage, who took compassion upon his necessity. Early one morning this lady woke in great affright. She had dreamed that the old man was calling her in frantic haste to come and help him. She looked at the clock and noted the time. It was 4.30. Later on the lifeless body of the old man was found in a well. The medical opinion was that it must have got into the water at about 4.30 this morning. That was their independent testimony before they had been told of the curious experience of the woman. The distance of the well from the house made it impossible that she could have heard the old man cry, if he really did cry. How, then, can one explain the incident? I might relate other facts similar in their nature, all showing that there is in the world more mystery than we have yet comprehended. The task is, however, unnecessary.

I will mention another peculiar event which happened less than a year ago in this colony. A lady, wife of a gentleman in an influential position, chanced to meet at a party one night a person who had great reputation as an amateur soothsayer. "Oh, just tell me my fortune," she said, jocularly. "I'd rather not," replied the fortune-teller, after looking at her steadily for a little time; "I'd rather not. It would disconcert you terribly." The lady urged her request, nevertheless. "Then," the soothsayer continued, "I'm sorry to tell you that in three months you will be a widow, and that in six months you will be mad." The lady told her husband, who soon fell ill and died, while the other part of the prophecy was to some extent verified. I have called this incident peculiar, but there is in it, at any rate, some direct connection between the cause and effect. The man during his illness would certainly be depressed by the thought of the prophecy that he would not recover, and the same fact would affect his wife. Imagination, which is more potent than medicine, was set to work against the couple. That not only explains the mystery in some degree, but it illustrates the need for imaginative people to be careful how they handle occult subjects.

Phœnix Lager Beer.

NO. 182.

A BY-LAW

To Amend the Election By-Law (1888), No. 155.

WHEREAS it is necessary to amend the Election By-Law which was passed on the 3rd of March, 1888;

Be it therefore enacted by the Corporation of the City of Victoria by the Council thereof as follows:—

Sec. 1. All the words in the preamble to the "Election By-Law," beginning with "whereas," down to and including "therefore," in the fourteenth line, are hereby struck out and repealed, and the following substituted in lieu thereof:—

"Whereas by virtue of section 104, subsection (33), of the 'Municipal Act, 1892,' the Council may make, alter and repeal by-laws inter alia for the regulation of municipal elections and the regulation of the manner in which voting by ballot shall be carried out at the election of Mayor or Aldermen;

"And whereas it is provided by section 45 of the 'Municipal Act, 1892,' that the nomination for Mayor and Aldermen shall be held on the second Monday in January in each year from 12 noon to 2 p.m., and the polling, if any, on the Thursday following, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.'

Sec. 2. Section 4 of the Election By-Law is hereby amended by striking out the word "proclaimed," and inserting in lieu thereof "necessary."

Sec. 3. Section 9 of the Election By-Law is hereby amended by striking out the word "councillors," in the second line, and inserting in lieu thereof "aldermen."

Sec. 4. Schedule B of the Election By-Law is hereby amended by striking out all words in the first paragraph thereof, beginning with the words "the voter," down to and including the word "fit," in the third line and substituting therefor: "For Mayor or for Aldermen (as the case may be)

"The voter may vote candidates."

Sec. 5. This by-law may be cited as the "Election Amendment By-Law, 1892."

Passed by the Council this 14th day of December, 1892.

Reconsidered, adopted and finally passed by the Council this 16th day of December, 1892.

[L.S.] ROBERT BEAVEN
Mayor.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C. M. C.

NOTICE.

The above is a true copy of a by-law passed by the Municipal Council of the City of Victoria on the 16th day of December, A.D., 1892, and all persons are hereby required to take notice that anyone desirous of applying to have such by-law or any part thereof quashed, must make his application for that purpose to the Supreme Court within one month next after the publication of this by-law in the British Columbia Gazette, or he will be too late to be heard in that behalf.

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	3 59	10 27	COBBLE HILL	48	4 29	4 44	
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MUNROE MILLER.
de12-td

To the Electors of the North Ward.

I intend to be a candidate for alderman at the coming municipal election, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.
dec17 A. G. McCANDLESS.

To the Electors of North Ward.

I will be a candidate for election to the Municipal Council for the North Ward, and solicit your votes and influence.
G. C. GEROW.
Victoria, Dec. 21.

To the Electors of Victoria.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—By request of numerous friends in the North Ward, I offer myself as a Candidate for School Trustee for the ensuing year, and solicit your votes and influence.
de23-td GEORGE GLOVER.

To the Electors of South Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—Having my whole time to spare in attending to the duties of an Alderman, I beg to again announce myself as a Candidate for South Ward at the coming Municipal Election, and respectfully solicit your support and votes.
JOHN HALL.
Niagara Street, Dec. 22nd, 1892.—tf

To the Electors of the North Ward.

I will be a candidate for alderman at the coming municipal election, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.
d24 THOMAS SHAW.

To the Electors of North Ward.

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Dec. 23, 1892. Secretary.

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Dr. McKechnie

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Victoria, Dec. 24. d24

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December 16th, 1892.
WM. DALBY,
de17 1m Manager.

A Good Word for the Tiger.

The tiger is not such a very great misfortune to the neighborhood where he happens to have fixed his abode. His chase gives pleasure, excitement and exercise to the many hard-worked officials, whose lives would be those of uninterrupted routine were it not for this recreation. It is also of great assistance to the district officials, as it makes them much better acquainted with the people under their charge, and they get to know out-of-the-way places which, but for this sport, they would never have visited.

The tiger is a very necessary evil in India, and were it not for him, deer and wild boar would increase to such numbers that the cultivation of the land would become an immense hardship, and almost an impossibility; he keeps them within bounds, and relieves the ryots from watching their fields by night in the unhealthy localities.

We are accustomed in England to hear constant war preached against this animal for its total extermination; but this ought only to be in cases of the destructive cattle-killer or man-eater, and these ought to be got rid of at any cost. The villagers are always extremely careful of their good cattle, watching them well and keeping them grazing on the border of fields where they are working, and would be very sorry if the tiger were exterminated; of course they themselves are often carried off by man-eaters. But tigers of this class are luckily very scarce.

Tigers are still numerous in the State of Mysore, and panthers have often been killed in the city itself quite recently. I believe that in Mysore the largest tigers in India are to be found. Some have been killed quite lately by sportsmen measuring nearly ten feet six inches from the nose to the tip of the tail. There are two kept by the Maharajah in the court-yard of his cattle stables that measure very little short of that.—From "Tiger-Hunting in Mysore," by R. Caton Woodville, in Harper's Magazine for October.

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The Daily Times.

CROW'S NEST PASS.

It seems that the Canadian Pacific is going to make sure of having a monopoly of the Crow's Nest pass. It will be remembered that for a time the Dominion Government openly favored this scheme of the C.P.R., refusing both the Galt road and the British Columbia Southern permission to build through the pass. After a time they were granted the permission, but evidently the circumstances are all in favor of the big corporation, and it will yet have the pass to itself. It is now announced that the Alberta Railway and Coal Company, otherwise known as the Galt company, will ask Parliament at the coming session for such legislation as will enable it to sell or lease its main line and branches to the Canadian Pacific. This is taken to mean that the Galt road will not be extended in the Crow's Nest direction, but will pass into the hands of the bigger concern, with its franchises. In the same dispatch which conveys this information it is naively stated that "there are many points in the pass where there is only room for one railway, and the Canadian Pacific is already graded." It is hardly likely that we shall see any other road built past those points which the big company has thus secured by "squatting"—not even the British Columbia Southern. The monopolistic policy of the Canadian Pacific will have full fling so far as the Crow's Nest pass is concerned; and that of course means that no road independent of the Canadian Pacific can enter southern British Columbia from Alberta. This province can hardly afford to be tied up completely to one road, and it is therefore bound by its own interests to fight against the monopoly-fostering policy of the Dominion Government. The southern portion at least should always have a way of relief open to it by connection with American roads.

"UNCLAIMED ESTATES."

The success of the "next-of-kin" swindlers, to whom Mr. Labouchere is now giving his attention, is remarkable, even in this age of rogues and "suckers." William Lord Moore, Howard and other such rascals have for years been gulling people in America with the story of unclaimed estates in England to which they are the rightful heirs. The desired fee is usually sent by the victims quite promptly, though the exercise of even a little thought should keep them out of the trap. Common prudence would suggest to any person said to be heir to an estate in Chancery that correspondence with some official would be advisable. But the greedy desire for wealth is generally too strong for prudence to have any say in the matter. It so happens that an English solicitor has lately been warning Americans against the same swindlers who have now come under Truth's scalpel. He shows that a very erroneous idea as to the amount of unclaimed property in England is entertained by people in America. It is true the chancery division of the high court holds about $400,000,000 of money, but the bulk of it is held by the court as quasi-trustee, and dividends are paid regularly to the legal beneficiaries. The total amount of funds in an unsettled state is but $5,000,000, and the owners of the greater portion of this are well known, though for one reason or another are not yet entitled to its possession. There is not more than $1,000,000 actually unclaimed, and this is divided among several hundred accounts, so that there does not exist a single extremely large sum to which any one claimant or set of claimants may lay siege. A little consideration of these figures ought to show the least intelligent man that there are extremely small chances of "unclaimed property" coming his way. But in this, as in other swindles, the operators are simply playing on the consuming desire to get "something for nothing," which they know finds a place in the ordinary man's heart.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Law Society of Ontario has decided that women in that province may become barristers and practice law if they so choose. When will Ontario, like Montana, be blessed with a lady Attorney-General?

While enquiring into the state of public feeling in Bruce county one of the Globe's commissioners happened across a genuine Tory gentleman, who said: "The condition of the farmers is all right if they would attend to their farms and not live too high. The sons should be content with the way their fathers lived, and should not buy buggies, pianos and imported clothes. Their fathers were satisfied to come to market in the farm wagon and wear homespun, but the boys want to live better." Amid the great variety of comments this utterance has called forth there are very few containing an open admission that the farmers are to be censured because they want to "live better." It is a great pity, however, that the farmers cannot be content with their forefathers' mode of living and let all the luxuries go to the "protected" gentlemen.

The Mail:—Mr. Hazen, M.P., is a thorough-going Conservative, but he believes that Canada now has a chance to obtain a reciprocity treaty with the United States which should not be neglected. In a recent lecture at Halifax, he said that while the Republicans were in power it was impossible for Canada to obtain a reciprocity treaty with the States upon anything like fair terms. The Republican party would go out in March, however, and if the Democrats were true to the platform of tariff for revenue only, a fair trade arrangement should be effected between the two countries. He declared it was the duty of Canadian statesmen to endeavor to bring this about, and to secure admission for our lime, lumber, fish, and agricultural produce into the United States market if it could be done without the sacrifice of our national dignity. The real danger of such an arrangement is not to Canada's dignity, but to her monopolists.

The advocates of the "single tax" principle are naturally a good deal elated over the declaration in its favor by the New South Wales legislature. A motion was offered in the legislature that a progressive land tax on holdings over £1000 in value should be imposed, and to this a Mr. Cotton offered the following amendment:—"That in the opinion of this house a system of raising revenue by the direct taxation of land values, irrespective of improvements, would greatly promote the welfare of this country." In the debate on this amendment, the premier, Sir George Dibbs, came out with the declaration that he should vote for Mr. Cotton's amendment. Sir George stated also that the government intended to press the "local government bill," which authorizes the municipalities to raise their revenues by a tax on land values without reference to the improvements on the land. On division Mr. Cotton's amendment was adopted in place of the original resolution by a vote of 46 to 13. Both the leader of the government and the leader of the opposition voted for it. It was then finally adopted by a vote of 49 to 10.

SHORT LOCALS.

Gleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

Jubilee Hospital directors meet this evening.

There will be a wedding at the Salvation Army barracks to-night.

The examinations of the B. C. Medical Council will be held in Victoria on Jan. 10th.

Contractor Riddle was awarded the contract for the erection of the synagogue school.

Rev. A. B. Winchester delivered a lecture at the Presbyterian Chinese mission last evening.

Mr. H. Shearwood and Miss S. E. Tillary were married last evening at St John's Church by Rev. W. D. Barber.

Bark Colorado, Captain Gibson, loading lumber at Hughitt & McIntyre's mill at Genoa, has about 360,000 feet on board.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Uniform Rank Knights of Pythias, to-morrow evening officers will be nominated.

The congregation of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church will meet to-morrow evening to sanction a resolution of the trustees to dispose of the old church property.

In the police court Jack, Indian, was fined $5 for being drunk. Mary, klootchman, was mulcted in a similar sum. Thos. Wilson, drunk, was dismissed. First offense.

The charitable entertainment being prepared by Rev. Mr. Browne takes place in the Market Hall, Saturday, Jan. 14. Among other attractions will be an exhibition of the working of the fire department when an alarm is sounded.

WHO SHALL SAVE THE TOWN?

The fools may laugh and the wise may cry,
That our town's finances will soon run dry;
That the gathering mass of work to be done,
Will ruin our credit when our cash is all gone,
But the gray old man at the head of the town,
Notes it all down.

But strong men are coming, men of renown;
They are brimful of wisdom to save our fair town;
Streets, sewers and sidewalks, water and light,
Every thing will be done O.K. and all right,
And the cunning old man at the head of the town,
Notes them all down.

There are painters and tailors, and men that lay brick,
Shoemakers and lawyers and one real estate—
A doctor, a druggist and one undertaker,
O! Lord do preserve us from such grave-makers
But the sly old man at the head of the town,
Notes them all down

Housebuilders, brickmakers and one that sells straws,
A printer and florist come forth to make laws
A pounder of iron, of rivets and steel,
A dresser of stone and a hunter of seal,
And the careful old man at the head of the town,
Notes them all down.

A seller of stoves, pots and piedishes,
And a grocer that deals in all kinds of salt fishes;
And a tyhee of horses, horsemen and cab hire,
Will boom up his knowledge on firemen and fires,
And the staid old man at the head of the town,
Notes it all down.

From the North and the South and the Centre ward,
They are springing to view like Roderick's guard,
And the volumes of wisdom that are wasted on air
If delivered in Athens would make the Greeks stare,
But the honest old man at the head of the town,
Notes it all down.

The smallpox may come, and the smallpox may go,
And cholera may sweep over the land like a foe;
And the death-dealing microbe may ride on the gale,
Water-pipes may burst and sewers may fail,
But the sensible old man at the head of the town,
Notes it all down.

Words fail to express what's best to be done,
From such an array of talent to pick the best one;
If tickets were numbered and placed in a sack,
Would it be wise to take the first lot in the pack?
And let the posted old man at the head of the town,
Nail them all down!

W.A.R.

NEVER TO LATE TO MEND.

Two Lonely Old People Join Fortunes Literally at the Eleventh Hour.

The 30th (fair) and 31st (cloudy) of December were united the other day when George Everton, aged 70, and Mrs. Sophia Page, colored, aged 74, were joined in marriage by a local clergyman. This little piece of nuptial news will be received with surprise by the friends of the "high contracting" parties and the surprise will be pretty nearly general, for everybody in town is more or less acquainted with them. The groom was once a Baptist preacher and used to conduct services on Pandora street four or five years ago. Of late he has been in the produce, commission and brokerage business and is reported to have done very well. He is a small man and is a well known figure on the streets. His first wife died a year or two ago. The blushing bride was a widow and has lived on Topaze avenue for a number of years. She owns a piece of property up there, and has earned a livelihood by taking care of children. Her hair is as white as the driven snow and she seems even older than the age given above.

Where the courtship between the aged pair began is not known. Public knowledge of the affair, to any extent at all, dates back from the obtaining of a marriage license, a call at the house of a mutual friend and the summoning of a minister. A few days later the neighbors about the Topaze avenue home saw an old white man in the garden which surrounds the place, engaged in spading up the earth, plucking out the weeds and tying up the pretty rose bushes. That seemed strange, and after he had been out several mornings enquiries were instituted and the usual whisperings went around on Topaze avenue. Finally Mammy confessed that she was a bride and should in future be known as Mrs. Everton. There seems to be for the old couple happiness in the event which may seem folly to many.

WHARF AND WAVE.

Jottings of Interest to Marine Men Concisely Compiled.

Str. Danube leaves for the north to-morrow evening.

The Empress of India will sail for China and Japan on Monday, Jan. 9.

Steamer Maude is on the Star ways, where she will be overhauled and repaired.

British bark Assel is due from London, having left that port 130 days ago. She has a cargo of general merchandise for R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd.

German ship Katherine, Capt. Skille, passed up for Moodyville last evening to load lumber. She made the trip from Santa Rosalia in 54 days.

They are Very Choice.

The car load of eastern apples that arrived on Saturday are something extra. Call and see them at Gordon's. *

For shaving sets go to Fox's, 78 Government street.

□ **Phœnix Lager Beer.**

Revolutionary Depredations.

CITY OF MEXICO, Dec. 28.—A number of ranchmen and other residents of the Rio Grande border will file with the government claims for damages through the depredations of revolutionists from Texas. These bands openly intimidate settlers and take horses and cattle whenever they see fit to appropriate. These claims, it is understood, will be formally presented to the United States government with the demand of this government for indemnity.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.
Royal Baking Powder
ABSOLUTELY PURE

Stop that Cough by using LANGLEY'S Balsam of Aniseed

TOOK HIM BY THE COLLAR

How James Sullivan Served a Bailiff in Possession Under Distress.

James Sullivan, arrested without a warrant, spent last night in jail, and was brought up in the police court this morning. He was told by Magistrate Macrae that he was a free man. The magistrate said he had no authority where there was no information. Sullivan stepped briskly out of the court room.

In the court was Edwin Booth, whose countenance fell at the words of the magistrate, Booth tells his story: "Sullivan rents a house from me on Powderley avenue. He has been on several "sprees" lately and has lost his situation. Sullivan is a married man with four children. I board with them. Monday night Sullivan smashed a quantity of furniture and hacked a room in the house with a hatchet. He got so violent that his wife took the children and left the house. My rent was unpaid and I placed the bailiffs in possession to secure myself. Last night Sullivan awoke from a "sleep off." He asked the bailiff what he was doing. The bailiff said he had a warrant of distress. Sullivan took him by the collar and ran him out of the room. I interfered, when Sullivan drew a razor and threatened to cut my throat. I went for a policeman and had him arrested."

Booth swore to a summons this afternoon charging Sullivan with attempted bodily injury. The case will be heard to-morrow morning.

His Queue Held Him Fast.

In the quarters of Lin Ho, who lives on Government street, near Fisgard, and calls herself a seamstress, took place a lively scene yesterday afternoon. Lee Chuck, Mar Kan, Ah Tay and Tai Soong were being entertained by Lin Ho. Lin Ho said something that offended Lee Chuck, who grew furious and drawing a skull crackers attempted to strike Lin Ho. The other celestials rushed to her aid. Chuck was overpowered and when arrested by an officer was held by the arms, and his pigtail was made to serve the purpose of a rope around his neck. The case was brought up in the police court this morning. Chuck asked for an adjournment to get a lawyer and the court gave him till to-morrow morning. Chuck has previously been arrested twice for assaulting Lin Ho. For the first offence he was bound over and upon the second charge he was "sent up" for a month.

They Said Farewell.

The Toronto Empire says:—"Farewell was said yesterday afternoon by a goodly knot of friends to Messrs. G. E. Powell and P. S. Lampman, who departed for Victoria, B.C. The two gentlemen, who have been pursuing their legal studies at Osgoode Hall during the past three years, were admitted to the bar last term. They intend to practise their profession in Victoria, where their abilities and energies, which are of a high order, will doubtless find a suitable scope. On Saturday evening at Morgan's a few of their intimates gave them a farewell dinner and presented them with appropriate souvenirs of the occasion."

Fun at the Queen's

The Queen's music hall, corner of Johnson and Store streets, opened last Monday evening to a packed house. The performance highly pleased the audience. Mr. Albert Hawthorne sang bass solos to great applause, and Mr. Cockburn Thompson, the manager, brought down the house in a comical burlesque upon "Ta-ra-ra-boom-de-ay," mimicking the loose jointed Lottie Collins very well. The rest of the company were equally good. Special attractions will be presented during New Year's week.

A Nolle Prosequi.

T. B. Pearson, shirt manufacturer, Yates Street, was summoned in the police court this morning charged with trading without a license. Lawyer Belyea appeared for Mr. Pearson. The court called the case, but no one was present to prosecute. Chief of Police Sheppard said that he did not know anything about the case. The court sat silent for a few minutes, and then said "Dismissed," wrote the verdict on the blotter and took up the next case.

Worthington's Magazine.

The latest new magazine is from Hartford, Conn., by the publishing firm of A. D. Worthington & Co., the initial number for January, 1893, having reached us. It is beautifully illustrated and printed in the style of the first-class monthlies. It will aim at being a "journal for the family," and its first effort gives promise that its object will be attained.

Pie Social.

Victoria West Lodge, I.O.G.T., meets to-night. After the business of the lodge is over the ladies will entertain the brothers with a pie social, and as the ladies are noted for making good pies, any brother failing to attend will miss a treat.

Eight Nations Have Tables.

At the International dinner at the Pandora Avenue Methodist Church Thursday evening there will be eight tables. The ladies attending each table will wear the costumes of the country the table represents. The tables will be artistically decorated.

Want Representation.

The citizens of Victoria West want a representative in next year's city council. With this object in view they intend to hold a meeting and choose a candidate to come out.

The City Band

Will play at the Skating Pavilion, Broad street, Wednesday and Saturday evenings. *

A delicious cup of Tea, Coffee or Cocoa can be prepared in a few seconds for a cent by using "Reindeer Brand" Condensed Tea, Coffee or Cocoa. Sold by grocers. *

Buy your Christmas and New Year's Wines at the California Wine Co.'s Store, Nos. 55 and 57 Broad St.

It Takes Place To-night.

Russell, McDonald & Co's., regular annual drawing takes place to-night at 8 sharp. Be on hand.

Beautiful Type.

Just received by Munro Miller some beautiful faces of brass type, suitable for fancy lettering of Xmas and New Year presents. *

Board of Trade.

The next quarterly meeting of the board of trade will be held on Friday, Jan. 6th. It is expected that members having new business to come before the board will notify the secretary without delay.

Holiday Cakes.

Leave your orders at the New England for Xmas cakes, assorted cakes, English plum pudding, etc. Have received a large invoice of bon-bons, crystalized fruits and assorted candies. Ornamenting cakes a specialty. Goods promptly delivered to all parts of the city. *

On New Year's Day.

The W.C.T.U. and Y.M.C.A. will hold a joint reception on New Year's day (Monday). It will occur between the hours of 11 a.m. and 5 p.m., and will be in the Y.M.C.A. rooms. There will be refreshments served by the ladies. All are welcome.

Presented with a Baton.

The members of the young men's class of the First Presbyterian Church last evening presented Mr. G. F. Watson with a handsome baton. Mr. Watson is leaving the First Presbyterian Church to assume the leadership of the choir of the Calvary Baptist Church.

Secured a Hawaiian Subsidy.

Manager W. S. Simpson of the Puget Sound and Hawaiian steamship line, is back in Tacoma from Honolulu. He secured a subsidy of $500 per trip from the government and will now press the interests of the line from this end. He says his company is prepared to lose money for a year at least.

For the Little Ones.

There will be a large attendance at the Christmas tree which the ladies of St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Cathedral give to the children of the church to-night. It will be a merry evening for the little ones, and all of them in the parish are welcome. There will also be a concert during the evening.

As Somewhat Hoggish.

The Seattle Telegraph says: From present indications British Columbia will have a lively year in regard to railway construction in 1893. Our neighbors have a fine province. It would make a splendid state and round out Uncle Sam's coast property very nicely. How does it strike you, neighbor?

Dance of the Iolanthes.

The Iolanthe club's invitation dance and supper takes place to-night in Harmony Hall. Ten of the members of the club spent yesterday decorating the hall, and it is now one mass of bunting. Flags and streamers of all kinds hang from the walls and ceiling, and in the centre is a canopy made with an immense Union Jack.

Oscar and Hattie Case.

The case of the schooner Oscar and Hattie, charged with a violation of the modus vivendi prohibiting sealing in Behring Sea, will come up before the Admiralty Court to-morrow morning at 11. The court will be held in the Supreme Court building. The first witnesses to be called are Commander Johnson, of the U.S.S. Mohican and Mr. Harrison, of the U. S. navy.

Christmas Tree and Entertainment.

No effort will be spared to make the Christmas tree entertainment of the Sunday school of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Victoria West, in the public hall, on Friday evening next, a real treat for old and young. Tea will be served to the children of the school at 5 o'clock. The programme, entirely by the children, will begin at 7:30, and, last, the toys, etc., by Santa Claus from the tree.

The Steamship Tacoma.

A cablegram from Yokohama announces that the steamship Tacoma of the Northern Pacific line is being pressed ahead of her usual sailing time, and her arrival is looked for to-night or in the morning. Alex. Stewart, Puget Sound agent of the line, came up last evening on the City of Kingston and will go back on the Tacoma when she arrives. A TIMES man this morning showed Mr. H.E. Connon, the local agent, the statement that the line was making no money. "Oh, well," said he, "we are at least paying expenses, which lots of people know by this time is pretty good for an Oriental line."

Officers Installed.

The officers of Vancouver Quadra Lodge A.F. and A.M., were installed last evening by District Deputy Grand Master Pearson, assisted by Bro. A. McKeown, R.W.P.M.; Bro. W. J. Quinlan, V.W. Grand Secretary, and Bro. G. S. Russell, R.W.P.M. The new officers are: Brothers A. B. Erskine, W. M.; H. Waller, S.W.; G. H. Brown, J. W.; Rev. Dr. Campbell, Chaplain; J. F. Becker, Honorary Treasurer, (re-elected); R. A. Brown, Secretary (re-elected); George Glover, S.D.; Cecil Fletcher, J.D.; C. R. Stellard, I.G.; A. M. Muir, S.S.; R. Shaw, J.S.; Loftus Browne, Organist and Wm. Tricker, Tyler. At the conclusion of the services Bro. Munro Miller, P.M., presented Bro. J. E. Phillips, the retiring master with a past masters jewel.

NAVAL NOTES.

Excerpts of Local Interest From the Naval and Military Record.

Paymaster Rice H. Harris, who recently arrived home from H.M.S. Nymphe, paid off at Esquimalt, is now under arrest on board H.M.S. Marlborough at Portsmouth, pending the investigation of alleged discrepancies in his cash accounts.

H.M.S. Daphne leaves Thursday Island on January 29; Manila, February 13, and arrives at Hongkong February 17.

H.M.S. Champion left Tahiti on September 24 for Pitcairn Island and Valparaiso.

Between three and four hundred men have been sent on board H.M.S. Royal Arthur, to get her ready to commission at the end of the year. She is expected to relieve H.M.S. Warspite, and has been fitted with the new iron tubular torpedo booms, and her boat davits are nearly finished.

Admiral Hotham has intimated that he, with H.M.S. Warspite, H.M.S. Melpomene, H.M.S. Garnet and H.M.S. Nymphe, will be in Acapulco on January 1st, 1893.

Provision has been made to have H.M.S. Warspite repaired at Plymouth instead of Chatham, her home port, on her arrival in England.

It is understood that Rear-Admiral Stephenson, C.B., starts for the Pacific to assume his new duties in command of the Pacific squadron, at the beginning of next month. It is also rumored that the Royal Arthur may not be his flagship after all, but that the Admiralty will select another ship in her stead. There is nothing settled for certain which ship will relieve the Warspite.

Do Not Miss

Reading this item. As Lange & Co. did not succeed in selling their business for the figure agreed to to their Eastern friend, nor in disposing of all of their stock this Christmas to the public, and as the building wherein they have conducted business for the last 17 years is to be destroyed shortly and a new one erected in place, under the circumstances Lange & Co. are obliged to re-open in their own place, No. 88 Douglas street, opposite Odd Fellows' hall. Reduced sales will continue until goods which are left are sold. Any one wishing to secure a good going business, established since 30 years, can do so at a very reasonable figure. And the new premises can be rented at a moderate rate. *

To Change Her Flag.

The steamer Premier will be out of the drydock in about a week. All her new plates and frame work are in position and riveting has commenced. It is probable that on her next trip the Premier will fly the British instead of the American flag. If she went back to the Sound the duty on the repairs done on her would be almost as much as it will cost to make her a Britisher. If this is done she will probably go on the Alaska route next summer, the reputation the C.P.N. Company have made during the past season ensuring them a big crowd of excursionists during the coming season.

Christmas Tree at Gordon Head.

The Gordon Head school children will enjoy their Christmas tree on Taursday evening. A 'bus will leave the Clarence Hotel at 7 p.m. for the convenience of visitors from the city. The Victoria Glee Club is to render selections, and a very attractive programme will be carried out. The Gordon Head school has met with flattering success since it was founded, and now there are quite enough scholars for the present staff to handle successfully.

For the Children.

On Friday, Jan. 6th, the Sunday school children of the Reformed Episcopal church will enjoy their annual New Year's treat, in the school room. Christmas trees loaded with presents, beautiful decorations, tea, music, singing, Bishop Cridge in the chair, are the attractions offered the children and their parents.

Weekly Visits.

Commencing next week the Supreme Court judges will make weekly visits to Vancouver and New Westminster to dispose of any cases that may be brought before them in those cities. This arrangement was made during Hon. Theo. Davie's visit to Ottawa.

Mason's Ball.

A number of Free Masons and their wives will go to Nanaimo to-morrow to attend the Masons' ball to be held to-morrow evening. Members of the order from all over the province will be present.

An Official Visit.

Mr. A. W. Vowell, superintendent of Indian affairs, leaves for the north to-morrow evening. He will pay a visit to the Indian stations along the coast.

Return Presents.

New Year's gifts are selling at cost at Kerr & Begg's bookstore, 45 Government street. New stock each year. *

Queen's Music Hall. Albert Hawthorne and Cockburn Thomson.

Want to Buy It.

A Seattle firm is negotiating for the purchase of the Sechert quicksilver mine in Alberni. The mine is at present owned by Victorians and is considered "good property."

DR. PRICE'S Cream Baking Powder.

The only Pure Cream of Tartar Powder.—No Ammonia; No Alum.

Used in Millions of Homes—40 Years the Standard.

SPENCER'S ARCADE

DURING THIS WEEK we will sell our remaning Stock of

Fancy Articles,
Sachets,
Glove and Handkerchief Sets,
Etc., Etc.

at Half Price.

D. SPENCER, Government Street.

Duluth

Situated at the entrance to Seymour Narrows, the Terminus of the Canada Western Railway, in connection with the Ferry to the Mainland.

LOTS IN THE ORIGINAL TOWNSITE.

Lots in this Townsite can be obtained at present prices until January 1st, at which date prices will be raised 25 per cent.

The Lots owned by the Canada Western Railway Co. in Duluth are NOT FOR SALE.

For Prices and Terms apply to the Head Office,

HENRY CROFT, 72 Government St.

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PERSONAL.

Visitors and Passengers to and from the City and Province.

L. H. Lye and wife have left for California.

Captain John Irving is back from the Mainland.

Gus Hanck, of Ladner's Landing, is in the city.

Health Officer Huntley, of Vancouver, is in town.

W. H. Mawdesley, of Point Comfort, came down last night.

Frank M. Yorke returned from Genoa on the noon train.

Alex. Stewart and M. M. Peel, both of Dodwell, Carlill & Co., are in town.

Wreck of the Sloop Finland.

The one man who was in the sloop Finland when she was wrecked off Trial Island the other day, is back in Port Townsend. His name is Alexander Stewart. He says he escaped in the small boat after the sloop struck a log and began filling. He was later capsized in the small boat, but reached the shore, was sheltered by a fisherman and then started home. He valued the sloop at $150 and says he had $25 worth of fish aboard when she was lost.

No Visible Means of Support.

Edwin Shanks, alleged gambler, has been served with a summons to appear in the police court on Friday morning. Shanks will answer to the charge of being an idle person having no visible means of support. Shanks was up on a similar charge a few weeks ago. Lawyer Mills got him out of the muddle. The court then said that it would "send him up" if he again were arrested.

The Japan Coming.

HONG KONG, Dec. 28.—The Canadian Pacific Railway's steamship Empress of Japan left here this morning for Victoria.

The Sound Boat.

The steamer City of Kingston will probably leave from the outer wharf this evening.

"Reindeer Brand" Condensed Tea, Coffee and Cocoa are the most convenient and economical preparations for the household. All grocers sell these goods. *

The Purest Wines or Christmas and New Year's are the California. California Wine Co., Nos. 55 and 57 Broad St.

Phœnix Lager Beer.

Just Arrived .. ..

Piano, Banquet and Table Lamps

SEE OUR NEW SILK SHADES.

SEHL-HASTIE-ERSKINE CO.

C. E. REDFERN, 43 Gov't. St.

Christmas, 1892. New Year, 1893.

Among the various Articles Suitable for Presents at this Season the following may be mentioned:

Ladies' and Gentlemen's Fitted Travelling Bags,
Fine Diamonds and Other Jewelry.
Sterling Silverware,
English Oak Goods,
Souvenir Trays,
Electroplated Ware

And a variety of other articles are to be found at 43 Government St., where those in search of presents are invited to examine the largest and most elegant stock of goods ever imported into this city, all for sale at reasonable prices.

C. E. REDFERN, 43 Government Street.

THE HOME OF THE MANXMAN.

Delving Among the Superstitions and Folklore of the People of the Isle of Man.

Fairies, Elves and Imps Proudly Retained Memories Rather Than Scourging Tyrants.

DOUGLAS, Isle of Man, Dec. 3.—Few writers ever troubled themselves at all about the Manx people. Those have invariably set them down as "extraordinarily superstitious." Then they have galloped away, leaving the Manxmen in mist and their readers in mystery.

A truer statement regarding these interesting and sturdy people would be that they have emerged from boundless superstition. Everywhere one may go in Manxland are found evidences of that extreme antiquity which so impresses and at times appalls the student in Ireland and Cornwall. Coming to a later though still remote period, one cannot escape the conviction that the first Celts of Ireland and the west of England and the first people of Manxland were not only of common stock, but for centuries were, while pagans, a people of common language, customs and interest.

But I have gradually come to know that, however grim visaged the face of the one confiding the weird assertion of uncanny belief, secretly the masses of the people scout and flout them all, save those of a tender and winsome character. Briefly, Manx folk today reject the essential slavery of superstitious practices, but universally insist on retaining the pleasure of subscribing to the superstitions themselves.

One illustration out of many which could be given will serve to emphasize this conclusion. In olden times it was a universal custom here on retiring at New Year's Eve for the family to carefully strew ashes upon the floor in the expectancy of finding the next morning the impression of a fairy foot. It was religiously believed that the direction of the foot predicted death if toward the door, and if toward the fireplace an increase in the household by birth or marriage. The custom is quite as universal at the present time, but the element of terror is wholly eliminated.

In tracing Manx mythology there will be found precisely, as in the Gaelic mythology of Scotland and the Celtic mythology of Ireland, two classes of bugaboo immortals. One of these consisted of imps and demons having the power of taking upon themselves the form of man or woman at will, and by wooing human men or women, and particularly by holding out ravishing promises of immortality, leading them into fatal unions, through which the souls of mortals so deluded were endlessly banished from heaven.

The second class comprised semi-immortals and magicians wholly devoted to Druidism and the Black Art. Whether the latter had existence or were solely creatures of the imagination, centuries behind them some sort of folk really existed in ancient Manxland. Their wonderful skill in the erection of sepulchral mounds, stone circles and menhirs and in the making of metal ornaments and delicately formed spear heads was such as to compel from a less skillful and more warlike people their gradual deification.

In the gradual evolution of Manx fairies, whose real origin was in the Finnish sylvans, satyrs and fauns, that portion of its demonology providing impish spirits of a malevolent nature has been largely extirpated. The "man of the hills," the identical fellow found in the Irish and Scottish Highlands, was a wicked fellow indeed. Among the Manx shepherds of Snaefell and North Barrule mountains I found a few who still firmly believe in his power for harm.

The banshee, that fateful mother of grewsome brood in all originally Celtic countries, has given way in Scotland to its host of "guid neibors" or Brownies, as mighty a host of good and ill sprites in Ireland and in Manxland to an intangible army of gnomes, elves and sprites. These in general possess power of rewarding the good and punishing for evil. A Wesleyan clergyman named Corjaig a few years ago undertook to "lay" them by stoutly declaring from his pulpit that he saw them with his own eyes depart in a body from the Bay of Douglas in empty rum puncheons, scudding before the wind in the direction of Jamaica. But the "wee people" are still safely ensconsed in the hearts and traditions of Manxmen and cannot be deported and marooned even by well meaning clergymen.

One will still find among the Manx fishermen farmers clear traces of exact congeners of the ancient water bulls and horses of the misty north of Scotland lochs. The "tarroo ushtey" is the wild water bull and the "glashtin" the furious water horse of Manxland. The former destroyed cattle; the latter left the sea to chase Manx ponies over the mountain crags to destruction. These have no terrors now for Manxmen, but if ill befalls kine or horses these creatures of the misty days always return in the fireside banter and gossip.

These folks have one remarkable friend among the elves. He is called the "phynnodderee." For some form of misdemeanor he was banished from elfland and became a satyr with shaggy hair. Those who have seen him assert that he has feet like an elk, with a protruding spearlike horn where the fetlock should be, enabling him to scale walls and mountains at will. One good old lady of ninety whom I found among the glens of Snaefell remembers distinctly an encounter with the "phynnodderee" when she was still in her teens. She was "yarded"—that is, legally made a servant at a neighboring estate—and was set to carrying peat in a creel by a cruel master.

She was ill unto death, but was driven to her toil relentlessly. One day she came to the bog, but could not return laden. She fell upon the ground and moaned her wish to die. Then the "phynnodderee" appeared. He stood beside her shivering with the cold and piteously begged her for her tartan to prevent him from freezing. Appalled at the thought of any being suffering more deeply than herself, she instantly complied with his request. Her strength and health at once returned. The next morning all her month's task was found to have been performed by invisible hands, and, better than all, the handsomest tartan in Man was found hanging beside her bed.

This same handy elf possesses the infinite drollery of the Irish dullaghan, who is generally found with his head under his arm, in his pocket, or where a number are together flinging it merrily at some other dullaghan, or again engaged with it in games of football. It also possesses the power of numberless devices and disguises of that most exasperatingly impish practical joker of all Irish fairies, the leprachaun, or "the little imp in green." Everywhere in little Manxland, where liquor is in and wit is out, where uncouth folly meets with retributive humbling, and in all those sluggish rustic channels of forgivable mischief and merriment where penalties are light as countryside laughter, the kindly, helpful avenging "phynnodderee" is ever ready with a helping hand.

One traditional spook which represents the evil genius of dull despair, of dumb inevitability and of rank fatalism glowers through Manx tradition as black and dreadful as the gloom of the halls of Eblis. This is the "Moody Dhoo." Tangibly and as crystallized in tradition it took on the form of a huge, voiceless black spaniel, which haunted ancient Peel Castle, the daring of whose satanic power by a drunken soldier, terminated in the tragic death of the latter, as made famous in fiction and song. Generalized, the "Moody Dhoo" is the sable spirit of loneliness, of impending danger, of irrevocable despair. To a people barren of booklore, impressionable with a thousand misty shadows from the past, whose mental activities are chiefly in contemplation of the saddening sea and the keening voices of mountain winds, some form of a mental "Moody Dhoo" is a logical and inevitable presence.

I have never been able to discover among the peasants of Brittany, of England, Ireland or Scotland the exact equivalent of a curious sort of elf of darkness which the Manx people still possess. It is called the "dovinney-oie," or nightman. He meets certain belated persons along the highway or in lonely spots, foretelling dismal events with great volubility, but always without personal malevolence. Indeed his hints of impending danger are regarded as invaluable.

All evil spirits in Manxland are known under the universal term of "buggane." If the cream fails to "rise," if the crops are poor, if the catch of herrings be worthless, if harm befall the sheep upon the mountains or the kine and fowls at home, if a love affair goes wrong, or any ill whatever betides for which there is not a present, clear and unquestionable explanation, the "buggane" is held responsible. Useless vexation and anxiety are thus dispensed with, and as a good Manx dame pleasantly explained, "Aw, mon, th' buggane doan't mind aw blame, an it's better 'n fast'nin t' neebors!"

Fairy doctors and hermits are still popular in the little island. In olden times the person and home, usually a cave, of the Manx hermit were so venerated that the person of a mortal enemy was sacred against harm when in a hermit's presence. These canny old loafers are no longer proof against skepticism, but they are well liked by the peasantry who hospitably tolerate them. I have made the acquaintance of several. One was in quite a despondent mood and threatened to leave his vocation forever. He admitted that the comtry-side people were friendly enough, but the Liverpool holiday excursionists gured him unmercifully, and the Douglas hotel landlords, who had engaged him to unexpectedly appear to tourists in lonely glens, were not prompt about paying his contract stipend of six shillings per week.

The "evil eye" is still possible to be cast upon horses and cattle and even upon children, in unfrequented places where old superstitions die hardest. Fairies also work mischief in butter and among the fields. There are still those who prepare and sell charms not only to remedy but to ward off such ills. All but the most ignorant of Manxmen regard "fairy doctors" in a jocose spirit if its expression emanates from themselves. But among the best there lingers a genial toleration for all these olden vagaries, and should a foreigner first offer the skeptical illusion the Inherent stubborn resentment to iconoclasm would instantly find expression in something like, "Aw, mon, safe side's no' harm's side."

Naturally among a people where folklore largely takes the place of booklore omens, portents and what might with much exactitude be called "whimsies" are exceedingly frequent among Manxmen. The birds of the island and their habits provide as many of these as among their Irish neighbors with quicker invention and warmer fancy. A raven hovering near a herd of cattle is an unwelcome sign. The plaint of the linnet is associated with the cry of a lost soul. When the robin will not sing in churchyard trees the place is said to be haunted. A fine is still imposed in Man if a sea gull be killed during the fishing season, and the feathers of the poor wren, which is so mercilessly hunted here on St. Stephen's day, are sold for trifling sums as charms.

There is throughout the island an actual dread regarding publicity of weddings. Though all the neighbors may be aware of little details leading up to the ceremony, households directly interested affect the greatest secrecy. Cooking for the feast, dressing and the like are often done with closely curtained windows at night, and when all is ready the wedding party will mount an open car and gallop away to the nearest church in the gray of morning as though all the witches were after them. But the arrival of the Manx baby brings a host of traditional superstitious safeguards and ominous portents into immediate activity.

No one must step over it or walk entirely around it lest it becomes dwarfed and weazened. Amulets of undyed woolen cord are often worn around the mother's neck, until the babe is weaned, to ward off fevers. Until baptism all babes are quite at the mercy of the fairies. The baby will remain lucky through life if it first handles a spoon with its left hand, but it will come to perfect estate if it shall have repeated tumbles out of its mother's arms, its cradle or bed before it has attained its first birthday.

One of the most winsome of half superstitious customs in Manxland is for the family on stormy nights to retire to rest at a very early hour, so that the good fairies may unobserved enter to find shelter and repose. A very ancient tradition that a fairy in the guise of a beautiful woman once bewitched a host of the best men of the island and then led them all over a cliff to their death in the sea prevails so unyieldingly to this day that a Manx wife or sweetheart will on no occasion precede her husband lest her character for correct womanly attributes be impugned. The same fairy which established this custom is the one which, in its efforts to escape Manx vengeance, was transformed into a wren and has ever since, on St. Stephen's day, been hunted, stripped of its feathers and beaten to death in countless numbers. The same unaccountable mercilessness toward the wren exists, though

The robin and the wren
Are God's two holy men

in Ireland. There, in the vicinity of Galway, I have seen the wren hunted on Christmas day, its pitiful remains beribboned and hung to tree branches, the exhibition of which by children before house doors proving an unfailing prompting to the gift of coin or "sweets."

EDGAR L. WAKEMAN.

PLANTING FISH.

An Association in New Orleans for the Encouragement of Game Fish.

There will be many more fish in the gulf by and by. The Gulf Fishermen's Protective association will see to this. Through the influence of this association there have already been placed in the streams that lead into Bay St. Louis 4,000,000 of young shad. These were planted by the United States fish commission. For a long time the commission refused to furnish the young fish. The reason for the refusal was that there were no party or parties responsible for the protection of the fish. Then the Gulf Fishermen's Protective association came into existence and agreed to shoulder the responsibility. Now there are 4,000,000 of young shad saving up, in Dick Swiveller's language, for epicure.

The Fishermen's association was organized not a very long time ago under the laws of the state of Mississippi. It is a duly incorporated body. Many of the leading men of this city are stockholders in it. Mr. Louis Leonhard is the president and Mr. P. J. Mauffrey is the vice president. The duties of secretary, treasurer and manager are vested in Mr. Alfred S. Cowand. Mr. Cowand probably knows more about fish than any other man in the south. A reporter had a pleasant chat with him yesterday. In the course of conversation Mr. Cowand said:

These 4,000,000 young shad are about four inches long now. They were put in Wolf river and the other tributaries of Bay St. Louis. They cannot be touched until three years after birth of the spawn. I guess there will be trouble about them after they are two years old, as they will then be of pretty good size. Some of the fishermen wanted to do me up because I organized the Fishermen's association. They said that it was a shame to plant all those fish just for rich men to catch on a line. They were very much surprised when I explained to them that shad do not take the bait.

The little fish have gone away up to the headwaters of the rivers now, so as to escape the avidity of the larger fish. We will have to be very careful for some time with the shad until they begin to spawn on their own account. When they begin to do that it will be pretty hard to exterminate them. It has been computed that a shad has about a million eggs. Of course we don't save that many; probably not half or a third as many. But even if one fish can succeed in being the ancestor at one lay of 15,000 or 20,000 of young ones, why, you see, she is doing pretty well.

The fish commission are going to plant salmon trout and whitefish in the waters. They are game fish, very game fish. Those salmon trout have the largest mouths you ever saw. They are enormous. A green trout's doesn't approximate to it. Their heads are orange color, and when you see them strike in the sunlight it looks just like a big ball of gold rolling over the water. Whitefish are very popular in the northern lakes. In Minnesota and that country you can go almost anywhere and catch a good mess of whitefish in no time. They are as white as a cuff, both as to skin and meat, and are excellent for the table.

By the way, speaking of green trout reminds me of the fact that one of the aims of the Gulf Fishermen's association will be to perpetuate these. They are not green trout, you know; they are nothing more nor less than black bass. But they are excellent fish for the sportsman as well as for the cook. I can raise those fellows like chickens. Give me a bayou, and before you know it I'll have it alive with green trout. The Gulf Fishermen's association will look after the culture of green trout.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

When Beards Were Taxed.

Some curious things have been recorded in the way of taxes on beards and other enactments regarding them. Though Francis I was himself one of the bearded monarchs, he was responsible for a tax on the beards of his clergy, which, he believed, would bring him in a handsome revenue. The tax gave no trouble to the bishops and the wealthier ecclesiastics, who paid it and saved their beards, but the poorer priests had mostly to take to the use of the razor. There came a time, however, when the tables were turned. In the succeeding reign a son of the chancellor, who had suggested the hated tax, was returning in triumph from the Council of Trent to take possession of the bishopric of Claremont.

He had not dreamed of any opposition, but, behold, the dean and canons closed the brass gates of the chancel and stood within, flourishing shears and razor and pointing to the statutes de radendis barbis. Notwithstanding his remonstrances and entreaties, they declined to induct him until he had sacrificed his beard, which was the handsomest of the time. And thus were the sins of the father visited upon the children.—English Illustrated Magazine.

Mouth Breathing in New York.

In the city of New York and vicinity, owing to the extreme variations of the temperature and climate from day to day, it is indeed a rarity to find among the people who have lived here any time a perfectly healthy nose and throat. Such repeated sudden extremes of hot and cold damp weather, which are so common in this location, are ruinous to the throats of even temporary visitors with perfectly healthy respiratory organs, and the effect is so marked, the condition so universal among the inhabitants of this city, that children of catarrhal parents are born with a swollen, catarrhal condition of the inside of the nose and throat which within very few years closes the nostrils so that proper respiration is impossible, and the child becomes what physicians call a "mouth breather." We meet these children constantly in the streets. The climate of Brooklyn is even worse in this respect.—Dr. A. M. Fanning in Popular Science Monthly.

Very Dull Schoolboys.

A noteworthy record is that of Dr. Chalmers, who was solemnly expelled from the parish school of St. Andrews as an "incorrigible dunce." Ludwig, the famous geometrician, was also sent away from school after four years' ineffectual struggle to learn the common rules of arithmetic. The "marvelous boy" Chatterton, who died at eighteen, was considered "a dull child, incapable of improvement." The uncouth attempts of Domenichino to master the elements of drawing caused his fellow students to nickname him "The Ox," and the artistic youth of Hogarth was almost equally unpromising. The same contrast is often found between the youth and the maturity of illustrious men of action.—London Standard.

A Boy Will Start the Exposition.

The little adopted son of Mrs. Palmer will press the button that is to send the electric thrill through the great machinery of the exposition. The little fellow is a Castilian by birth and the son of an officer in the Spanish army. He was christened Murillo Castelar Palmer by the great orator and poet, Emilio Castelar.

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BOUGHT HALF THE COW.

A Bargain That Ended in Considerable Complication.

Bill Barnes came over to his son-in-law's house last week and said: "John, do you want to buy half of my cow?"

"How much do you want for half?" asked John.

"Ten dollars," answered Bill.

"All right. Here's your money. Guess you better write me out a receipt."

"Yes; here you are. Now I want you to sign an agreement that you will feed your half of that cow, will you?"

"Certainly."

John signed the agreement and Bill went off humming "Maggie Murphy's Comrades," says the Arkansaw Traveller.

Next day John went over to Bill's house.

"Hello, John," said Bill. "What do you want over here?"

"Come to get half the milk."

"Half the milk?"

"Yes; I own half the cow, you know."

"Yes, I know; but you don't get any milk."

"Why?"

"'Cause it was the first half of the cow I sold you."

"What?"

"Yes, that's what. You don't get any milk. I sold it all, any way. There!"

"Well, I'll see about that," and John went home making the atmosphere feel blue.

About four hours later Bill came over to John's house and yelled:

"You, John Smith."

"Well!" yelled back John.

"Do you want that cow to starve?"

"What do you mean?"

"You own the front half of that cow and you've got to feed it, that's all. I've got your agreement that you would and"——

"—the cow and you, too. You'll find some food for her in the barn, you blamed pirate. You darned"——

"Well, you've got cheek!"

"I have? Think you have. What do you mean?"

"Do you think I'm going to pack fodder for your half of that cow?"

"Oh"——

"And you just bring some water or that cow will die of thirst."

Then Bill walked away.

Bill came limping over to John's house the next day.

"What's the matter now?" asked John.

"Matter enough," said Bill. "You own the front half of"——

"Hang it, yes; so you say."

"Well, that cow hooked me."

"Oh, she did?"

"Yes."

"Well?"

"I'm thinking about suing you for damages."

"Oh, are you?"

"Yes, but I'm willing to compromise?"

"Ah!"

"Yes, you give me $50 and your half of that cow and I won't say anything about it."

After six hours of talk John paid the money and the old man went away happy.

Light Work.

Mrs. Riverside Rives—How do you manage without a servant?

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Mrs. Riverside Rives—But are you not wearing yourself out?

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Two Ways of Looking at It.

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KOOTENAY CLIPPINGS.

Details of the Loss of George Laforme's Pack Train in the Mountains.

From the Kootenay Star.]

The sale of the Freddie Lee mine was completed at Spokane a few days ago.

The Star of this issue came out in pink, in honor of Christmas, and looked very well.

Messrs. Wagner and Kennedy have bonded one group of their claims in the Lardeau to Messrs. Jefferson and Howson of Spokane. The ore from these claims assays from 115 oz. to 319 oz. per ton in silver and from $10 to $30 in gold.

Mr. Hugh Mann has completed the Nakusp sleigh road, and is now engaged in making a road to the Mahon group of mines. He is going to haul ore from these mines to the Nakusp wharf, and expects to have several hundred tons there awaiting shipment by the time the boats commence running. Some of this ore assays as high as 3000 oz. silver to the ton.

The weather, which has been very mild ever since the snow came, never going more than one or two degrees below freezing point, took a drop of several degrees on Monday afternoon and gradually grew colder till Wednesday night, when the thermometer showed nine degrees below zero. A sharp wind coming down the valley of the Columbia from the north whirled the snow in fine particles, making a miniature blizzard, causing great inconvenience to pedestrians, penetrating dwellings and forming drifts in various places. The cold snap was very destructive to water pitchers and other utensils. It is stated by "the oldest inhabitant" that Wednesday night was the coldest ever known here. About nine inches of snow fell last night, and the thermometer now stands at 5 above zero.

On Monday, the 7th November, Geo. Laforme's pack train of 11 horses left for Big Bend with the last load of supplies this season. It has proved to be their last trip, the whole train having to be destroyed through lack of food. On the road up they found the trail almost impassable in places, and seven horses with their packs fell into ravines whilst crossing bridges, one of them breaking its neck. There were three men with the pack train—Mr. Louis Mason, Dave Ferguson and Pete Levecque. Mr. Laforme himself having gone to Kamloops for some cattle which he intended driving to Big Bend. Returning here on the following Saturday—five days after the others had left—he started at once with the cattle and overtook the pack train just before they reached their destination. Soon after their arrival snow fell to the depth of about 18 inches, but the horses managed to scrape it away sufficiently to pick a scanty living off the dry winter grass beneath. The bullocks were killed and the meat frozen and packed to the mines on the other side of French Creek. By this time the snow was over three feet deep, and there was no feed for the horses. No time was lost in making a start for Revelstoke. But it was even then too late.

They only came five miles when they found the attempt hopeless and turned back. Then all the men working in the Bend turned out and trampled a path to the river, so that two of them might take the boat and come down for some hay and feed; but the river was full of large drift ice, and the project had to be abandoned. They had no alternative. The poor animals must die. Better shoot them than see them starve to death. The nearest food they could obtain was 70 miles away. They were accordingly shot. George could not do it himself. The leader of the pack train was a mule, who had made the journey from Revelstoke to the Bend many, many times. As soon as her pack was fixed she made a bee line up river, the others following her lead which she kept up to the end of the journey. It was the hardest thing of all to have her shot, but in mercy it had to be done. While the men were trampling the snow to the river she followed close behind and at times assisted their efforts, as if she knew they were working on her behalf. One of the horses, used as a saddle horse, was a fine looking and intelligent animal. It won second prize in the race here on Queen's Birthday, was ridden by Mr. Sutherland when he recovered the wild cattle from over the Illecillewait a short time ago, and did all the work in driving the cattle on their last journey.

On Tuesday morning George Laforme and James McFarlane arrived here from Big Bend. They had been eight days coming down, and did the distance on snowshoes, sleeping on their blankets in the snow. They brought the news of the disaster to the pack train, and George has the full sympathy of his numerous friends here. The snow was very deep in the passes, and the nights were very cold. Mr. Laforme was to have returned to Big Bend alone on Thursday, but his friends have prevailed on him to stop over Christmas. Mr. Mason, one of the owners of the Consolation Mine at French Creek, sent a letter to the editor, in which he states that everything at the mine was O.K. Eight men were working in the Consolation, and so far they had averaged $8 or $9 per day per man, and were coming into even better paying ground. Next summer they intend doubling up the number of men and opening up the old workings. As soon as the snow clears some of the men will renew their acquaintance with Revelstoke.

Rev. Sylvanus Lane

Of the Cincinnati M. E. Conference, makes a good point when he says: "We have for years used Hood's Sarsaparilla in our family of five and find it fully equal to all that is claimed for it. Some people are greatly prejudiced against patent medicines, but how the patent can hurt a medicine and not a machine is a mystery of mysteries to me."

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'Frisco Fiction Writers.

The San Francisco Chronicle publishes a long story about the cruise of U.S. revenue cutter Corwin on the California coast recently, in which it says that the schooner Louis Olsen was the vessel sought. It says she has succeeded the Halcyon, and then makes nonsensical statements about her sailing qualities and enormous opium cargoes.

CANADIAN-AUSTRALIAN LINE.

Mr. D. E. Brown About to Leave for the Antipodes on Important Business.

If he can make the connections, the next steamer to the Orient will carry D. E. Brown of the C.P.R. as a passenger. He is going to Australia via Hong Kong. His visit is to look into the prospects of business for the proposed line to the island continent. He has been named as manager of the business of his company in the Orient, and will make his headquarters in Hong Kong. Mr. Brown will first go to Montreal and then return to the coast and depart for Australia.

Here is what Mr. Brown said in a Tacoma interview:

"Our business far exceeds our expectations, and our trans-Pacific line is paying. There is not business enough for the lines now crossing the Pacific. I don't think the Northern Pacific line has made any money. It cannot compete without putting on fine boats. About our reported Australian line, I know only what I have seen in the newspapers. While in the Orient I learned that many people are coming over to see the World's Fair. Many who would otherwise have come this year are waiting for the big fair."

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LEGAL NOTICES.

Dissolution of Partnership.

The Partnership business heretofore existing between Pemberton & Dumbleton, barristers and solicitors has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. The business will in future be carried on by Alan S. Dumbleton at 51 Langley street, who assumes all liabilities and to whom all debts are to be paid.

Dated this 10th day of December, 1892.

(Signed) C. C. PEMBERTON.
dec10-30days ALAN S. DUMBLETON.

NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT.

Pursuant to the Creditors' Trust Deeds Act, 1890

Notice is hereby given that William A. Sprinkling, of the City of Victoria, Tailor, has assigned all his real and personal property to Charles A. Gooson, of the City of Victoria, in trust, for the purpose of paying and satisfying proportionately and without preference or priority the creditors of the said William A. Sprinkling.

The said deed was executed by the said Assignor and Trustee on the 5th day of December, A.D., 1892, and the said Assignee has undertaken the trusts created by the said deed. All persons having claims against the said William A. Sprinkling must forward and deliver full particulars of claim, duly verified, to the Assignee at Victoria, on or before the 5th day of February, A.D. 1893. All persons indebted to the said William A. Sprinkling are required to pay the amount due by them to the said Assignee forthwith. After the said 5th day of February, 1893, the Trustee will proceed to distribute the assets of the said estate among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have had notice. A meeting of the creditors will be held at the office of the undersigned on Friday, the 23rd day of December, 1892, at 3 o'clock p.m.

THORNTON FELL,
50 Langley Street, Victoria,
Solicitor for the Assignee.
Dated this 6th day of December, 1892.
d6-1m

"LAND REGISTRY ACT."

Lots 141, 142 and 144, in the City of Victoria.

CERTIFICATES of Indefeasible Title to the above lots will be issued to William Parsons Sayward on the 21st day of January, 1893, unless in the meantime a valid objection thereto to be made to me in writing by some person claiming an estate or interest therein, or some part thereof.

[L.S.] C. J. LEGGATT,
Registrar General.

Land Registry Office,
Victoria, 19th October, 1892. oc21-3m

"Land Registry Act."

Section Fifteen (15), Range One East, South Saanich District, excepting three acres thereof as described in a conveyance dated the 16th day of January, 1873, and made between George Thomas, of the one part, and Alexander Caulfield Anderson and William Thomson, of the other part.

A Certificate of Indefeasible Title to the above property will be issued to George Thomas on the first day of March, 1893, unless in the meantime a valid objection thereto be made to me, in writing, by some person claiming an estate or interest in said property, or some part thereof.

C. J. LEGGATT,
Registrar-General.

Land Registry Office,
Victoria, 23rd November, 1892. n25-3m

"Land Registry Act."

Lot 2 of Lot 1, Block 1 of part of Section LXXIV Victoria District, Map 271.

Whereas the certificate of title of Louisa Anne Whiteley to the above Lot bearing date the 20th day of April, 1891, has been destroyed and application has been made for a duplicate of such certificate. Notice is therefore hereby given that such duplicate will be issued unless cause be shown to the contrary in writing within one month from the date hereof.

C. J. LEGGATT,
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Land Registry Office,
Victoria, 23rd November, 1892. dec6-1m

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H. M. YATES,
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Brawlers Taught that the Law Must Be Respected—A Wrestling Match.

NANAIMO, Dec. 28. — Magistrate Planta had his hands full yesterday in trying a number of cases which usually occur after certain holidays. Coyle, a barber at Northfield, was charged by J. Ross with assaulting him with a slung shot. The complainant appeared in court, explained that it happened while they were all under the influence of liquor, and he did not want to press the charge. The magistrate took a different view of the case and fined the defendant $50 and $5 costs.

A wrestling match has been arranged between J. C. Stewart and Thos. Smith in the opera house on Saturday night for $100 a side. The conditions are that Smith is to throw Stewart three times in one hour or if the latter gets a fall he wins. Stewart was brought into prominence by D. S. McLeod, who has repeatedly trained him for different contests, so it is presumed he will give a good account of himself in the coming match.

The members of the Epworth League held an "at home" in the Wallace street Methodist church last evening. A very pleasant time was spent.

Mr. J. Mahrer claims that some persons has been stealing from his liquor warehouse for some time. All efforts so far have failed to discover the perpetrators. Chief O'Connell has taken the matter in hand.

Capt. Freeman of the ship Glory of the Seas complains of a distardly trick being played upon him by plugging his rifle. The captain discovered three plugs rammed in the muzzle and had he fired it the consequences might have been serious. Later in the day Sergt. Gibbs arrested a man named Anderson, on a charge of vagrancy and on searching him, he was found with a loaded revolver and three plugs similar to those mentioned. The man had been on board the ship and had access to the room where Captain Freeman kept his rifle. He will be brought before Magistrate Planta to-morrow.

W. O'Dell, architect, and Miss Lake left for Vancouver on the Cutch this morning to get married. They had kept everything quiet, but just before the steamer left, some friends who thought "something was up," came down and sent them off with showers of rice.

ARRESTED BY INDIANS.

An Agent Gives Strange Power to Siwashes —The City and the C.P.R.

VANCOUVER, Dec. 28.—E. A. Jacobs, the private secretary of Lieut.-Governor Dewdney, left for Victoria to-day.

Word comes from Valdez Island that Indians have arrested a white man there and taken him, bound, to Cape Mudge. They stated that Indian Agent Pidcock ordered them to arrest the man, because he was the person who supplied a klootchman with liquor. Settlers are indignant at such powers being given Indians.

A year ago the city cut down the grade of Cordova street five feet at the request of the C.P.R., to suit the new station building. The city council are now formally calling on the railway to carry out its part of the agreement, as work has been stopped since May on the building. The railway will also be requested to allow stop over privileges in Vancouver on Sound tickets.

The steamer Island Belle began her trips between Vancouver and Puget Sound yesterday, carrying freight and passengers.

It is stated that the steamer Coquitlam is going fishing for halibut.

The street railway's proposition for the city to guarantee interest on its bonds has been again laid over.

Mike Flynn was fined ten dollars for discharging firearms and will be summoned on a charge of vagrancy. Persistent efforts are being made to keep the city clear of tin horn gamblers.

A public meeting is called for Friday night to discuss municipal matters, when candidates to oppose Mayor Cope probably will be brought out.

The council have done nothing yet to investigate the charges against the city engineer, although very serious ones have been made.

Georgeism Put to the Test.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Hyattsville, one of Washington's oldest and largest suburbs, six miles out, is famous as the battle ground of the "single tax men." The village fathers have not only established the single tax system in practise, but have been sustained throughout by the Maryland courts against those property owners who protested that the new way was unjustly burdensome. Now the place expects to feel a new stimulus to progress from an entirely different source. Grand Master T. V. Powderly has bought a farm of 71 acres on the outskirts of the town for a syndicate of workingmen, with a view to establishing a group of factories and a co-operative workingmen's store. The townsite chosen is convenient to both the Pennsylvania and Baltimore and Ohio railroads, and if the capital for the scheme can be obtained, a smart little colony is expected to spring up.

War to the Knife.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—It is now war to the knife between the American Federation of Labor and the Knights of Labor. The members of the former organization are red hot over the report submitted to the recent Philadelphia convention, and which declared that the efforts of the federation to bring about peaceful overtures with the Knights have been received with insolence, insult and contumely. From this time on the various unions throughout the country associated with the Federation will put forth their utmost endeavors to weaken the Knights by bringing about withdrawals from their ranks, as well as by giving support to those who may be antagonized by the knights for any reason. It will be warfare both on the open and guerilla systems, and the executive council of the federation will do its own share in the same direction.

Bad Conduct Lengthened His Sentence.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Carl Werner, who was released from Sing Sing today, is the first inmate of that institution for many years who has had to serve every day of his term on account of bad behavior in prison. Werner went up for forgery in 1887, and would have been released several months ago had not Warden Brown cut off his commutation on account of insubordination. At the time Werner endeavored to secure his release on habeas corpus but the Supreme Court decided that the matter was one fully within the jurisdiction of the warden, thus establishing a precedent of national importance.

Water in the Desert.

The Colorado desert may yet blossom as the rose; that is if the Southern Pacific Company can strike water in other places as it has just struck it by deep boring at Walters, Cal., in the very heart of the desert. Walters is a wretched station within sight of the Salton lake that created so much discussion among scientists two summers ago, and that was finally found to be formed by flood water from the Colorado river, which backed up on the desert and filled this great natural cavity, that is nearly 200 feet below sea level. The Southern Pacific Company for years has been trying to get good flowing wells between Bunning and Yuma. Such a supply would obviate the expensive hauling of water to the tanks distributed along the line through the desert. The company has spent thousands in boring without result. On December 9 the borers struck water at Walters at a depth of 483 feet, and the flow is 9000 gallons per hour. Walters is 190 feet below sea level, but the desert is rich land when water is applied. So the tourist next year may see green grass and fruit trees where now is only a sandy waste dotted with cactus, mesquite and greasewood.

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TUESDAY, the 10th Day of JANUARY NEXT,

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G. L. MILNE,
Registrar and Secretary.

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Local Improvement Assessment---Rockland Avenue and Oak Bay Avenue.

Notice is hereby given that the Reports of the City Engineer and Assessor, which have been adopted by the Council, are open for inspection, at the City Assessor's Office, Douglas Street.

Any person objecting to the proposed improvements can sign and present to the Council a petition against either of them, at any time within 15 days of the first publication of this notice.

By order,

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
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City Clerk's Office,
Victoria, B.C., Dec. 28th, 1892.

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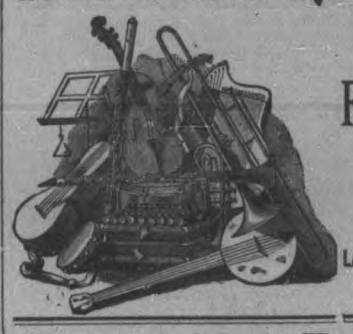

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LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

The above named gentlemen having been chosen at a Citizens' Meeting held on Monday evening last, to represent the city as Aldermen and School Trustees for the year 1893, your support and hearty co-operation to elect them is earnestly solicited.

B. GORDON, Chairman.
P. BOGGS, Secretary.

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